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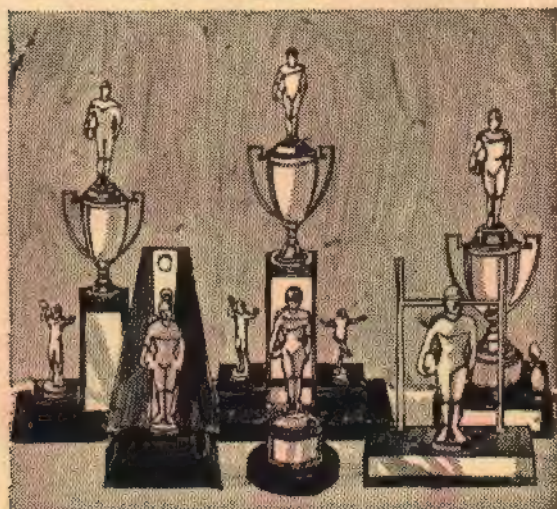


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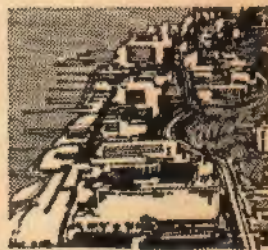


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TALES OF THE LEGION of SUPER-HEROES

TO ARMS! AN AWESOME
ARMY IS ON THE MOVE! CAN
THE SUPER-HEROES SMASH
IT WITH SUPER-STRENGTH?
MASSACRE IT WITH
MAGNETISM? BEAT IT WITH
BOUNCING ABILITY? NOT
A CHANCE! THE LEGION'S
LABORS ARE LOST,
BECAUSE... "The

CHEMOIDS
are
COMING!"

SMOG FURNACE

CRUSH THEM, MY
CHEMOIDS!
WIPE OUT THE
LEGIONNAIRES
TO THE LAST
YOUTH!

Roll Call

- INVISIBLE KID -- LEADER
- BOUNCING BOY
- BRAINIAC 5
- COSMIC BOY
- DUO DAMSEL
- KARATE KID
- LIGHT LASS
- PRINCESS PROJECTRA
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YES, EVEN THE LEGIONNAIRES
FIND TIME FOR RELAXATION...

...AND I HAVE THE MOST
DARLING NEW OUTFIT IN
MY QUARTERS! I'LL
SHOW IT TO YOU!

YOU PAINT,
KID?

A LITTLE, ORIENTAL
STYLE! I PICKED IT
UP IN JAPAN WHEN I
WAS STUDYING FLOWER-
ARRANGING!

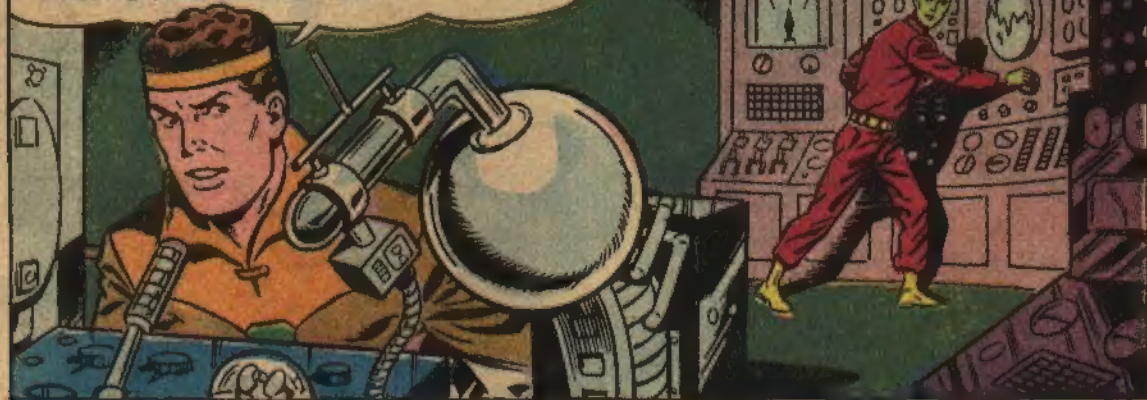
YOUR MOVE,
COSMIC BOY!

SATELLITE
GAME

HOWEVER, THEIR CRIME-FIGHTING ACTIVITIES
REQUIRE A CONSTANT VIGIL, AND SO,
IN THE LEGION LAB...

BRINIAC 5! I THINK THIS WAVE-SPECTROGRAPH
NEEDS OVERHAULING! SOME OF THESE AMPLO
CIRCUITS ARE BURNED OUT!

FORGET THAT, KID! LOOK AT
THESE ATMOSPHERIC
READINGS! IT'S INCREDIBLE!



WHAT?

RADIATION ABOVE GAMMA-
LENGTH HAS TRIPLED IN THE
PAST HOUR! SOON IT WILL PASS
THE TOLERANCE LEVEL! AND
DEADLY GASES ARE
POISONING
THE UPPER
ATMOSPHERE!

AND
SO...

LET'S GO, LEGION! WE'VE
GOT A JOB TO DO!
SCRAMBLE INTO THE
CRUISER ON PAD
THREE! WE'LL
EXPLAIN ON THE
WAY!

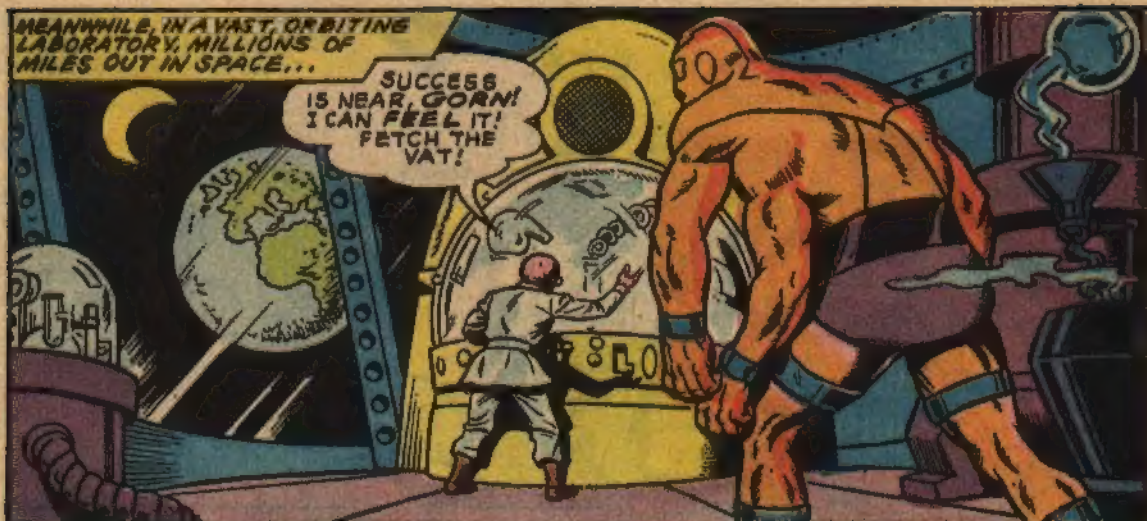
I HAVE
THE
PORTABLE
DIRECTIONAL
DETECTORS, KID!

WHAT ARE WE
WAITING FOR?
WE MUST
TRACK DOWN
THE SOURCE!



MEANWHILE, IN A VAST, ORBITING
LABORATORY, MILLIONS OF
MILES OUT IN SPACE...

SUCCESS
IS NEAR, GORN!
I CAN FEEL IT!
FETCH THE
VAT!

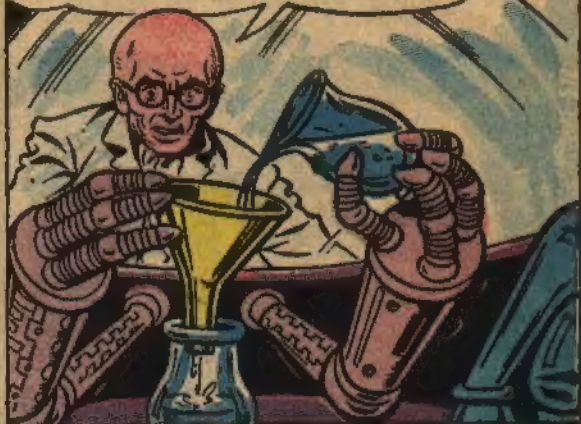


GOOD! PLACE IT ON THE
BALANCE! THAT'S IT!...
ALL OUR MEASUREMENTS
MUST BE PERFECT
TO A MICRO-UNIT!

WAIT TILL I
SHOW THOSE
FOOLS ON EARTH
MY RESULTS!
HA, HA! THEY
DARED DOUBT MY
GENIUS, EH?



WHO ELSE COULD CHEMICALLY
PROBE SO SKILLFULLY INTO THE SECRETS
OF THE UNIVERSE? WHO ELSE COULD
UNLOCK THE KNOWLEDGE THAT HAS
BEEN DENIED MAN FROM THE
BEGINNING OF TIME?



NO ONE... BUT
DR. MANTIS MORLO!
I ALONE WILL ACHIEVE
THE IMPOSSIBLE! I
ALONE WILL REAP THE
GLORY! MY NAME
IN HISTORY BOOKS!
AS FOR POWER... I'LL
WRITE MY OWN
TICKET!



SUDDENLY...

EHT WHAT IS IT, GORN?
WHAT'S WRONG?... AN
INTRUDER?





THE
LEGION!

THAT'S RIGHT, DR. MORLO!...
AND WE'VE GOT A
U.P. COURT ORDER FOR YOU
TO STOP YOUR
DEADLY EXPERIMENTS!

NO! NOT
WHEN I'M SO
NEAR TO SUCCESS!
YOU CAN'T MAKE
ME QUIT!

YOU MUST, DR. MORLO!
YOU HAVE NO
CHOICE!

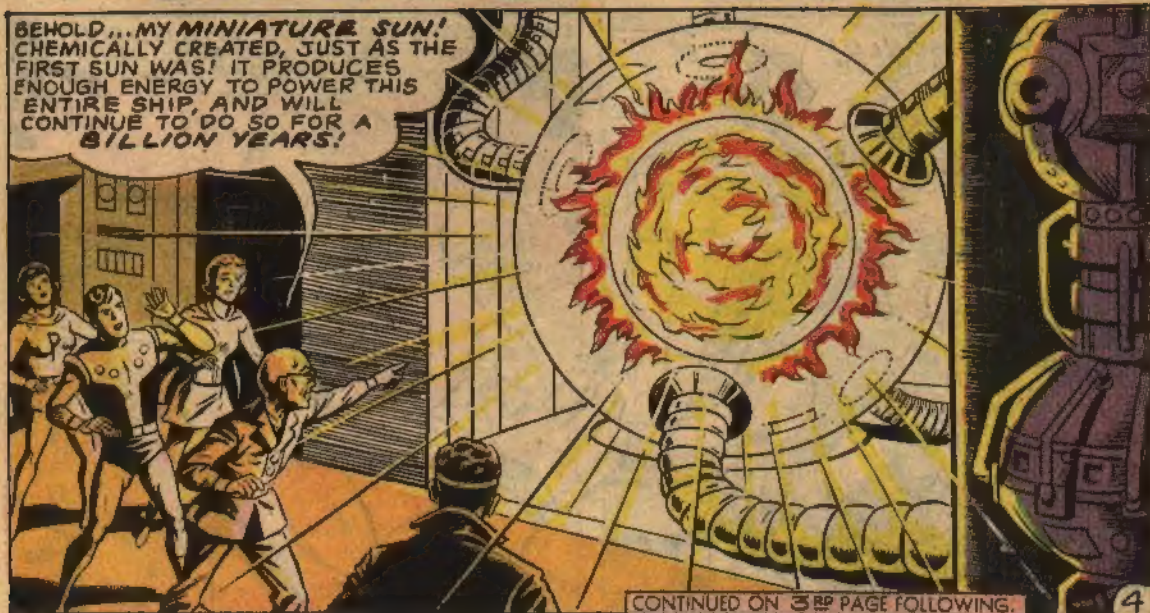
"THE WASTE GASES GIVEN OFF BY YOUR
CHEMICAL RESEARCH ARE DRIFTING
OFF THROUGH SPACE TOWARD
EARTH! YOU'RE CONTAMINATING
THE ATMOSPHERE WITH TOXIC
AGENTS! YOU MUST STOP
AT ONCE!"



PERHAPS
IF I WERE TO
SHOW YOU SOME
OF THE FIRST
RESULTS OF MY
EXPERIMENTS...
THAT WOULD
CONVINCE
YOU!



BEHOLD...MY MINATURE SUN!
CHEMICALLY CREATED, JUST AS THE
FIRST SUN WAS! IT PRODUCES
ENOUGH ENERGY TO POWER THIS
ENTIRE SHIP, AND WILL
CONTINUE TO DO SO FOR A
BILLION YEARS!



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BUT NOW THEY FACE THEIR MOST DANGEROUS--FOR THIS GLOWERING GIANT CAN ANTICIPATE THEIR PLANS AND STOP THEM!

WHO IS HE?

WHAT IS THE STUNNING SECRET OF SEEKANAKEE WHO KNOWS MORE ABOUT THE CHALLS THAN THEY THEMSELVES DO? YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS THIS SHOCKER, EXPOSING...

The PETRIFIED GIANT! ON SALE OCT. 3rd

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I GOT A GREAT IDEA FROM JIMMY. I'M GOING TO DO IT TO MY MODEL PLANES, TOO!

THANKS TO - TOM POOLE OAKLAND, CAL.

I'LL TAKE A SPOOL OF WHITE THREAD AND CUT OFF LONG PIECES. DIP THEM IN GLUE TO STIFFEN THEM. THEN, PAINT ON SMALL BLACK LINES.

NOW, I'LL GLUE THE THREADS FROM ONE PLANE TO ANOTHER.

WHEN THEY'RE HANGING FROM THE CEILING IT LOOKS LIKE A REGULAR DOG FIGHT IN THE SKY!

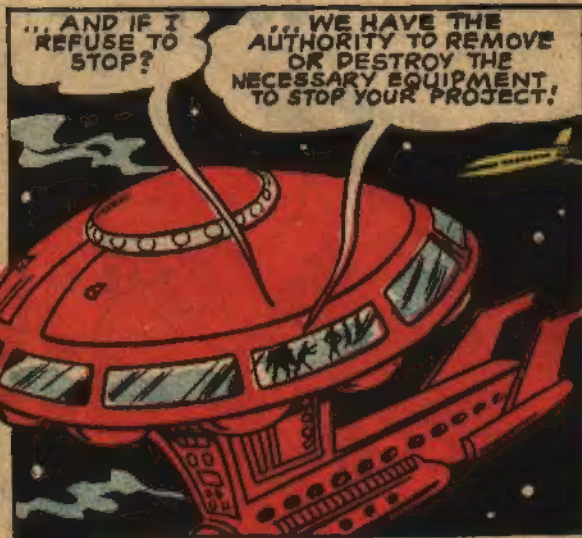
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HENRY BOLTROFF



NOW I'LL
SHOW
YOU
THE...

DR. MORLO! NO
MATTER WHAT
RESULTS YOU SHOW,
YOU CAN'T ALTER
THE FACT THAT YOUR
RESEARCH IS
POISONING EARTH!
HERE IS THE ORDER!



... AND IF I
REFUSE TO
STOP?

... WE HAVE THE
AUTHORITY TO REMOVE
OR DESTROY THE
NECESSARY EQUIPMENT
TO STOP YOUR PROJECT!



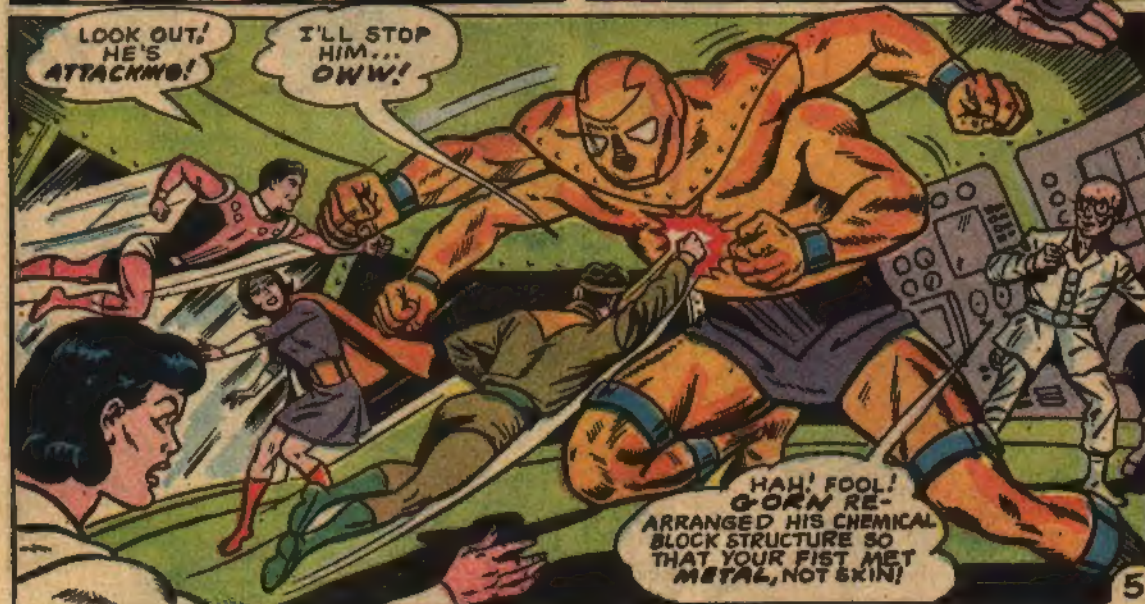
OH, YOU DO, EH! WELL,
LET ME SHOW YOU
ANOTHER
DISCOVERY OF
MINE, FOOLS...
GORN!

WHAT?...YOU
THINK YOUR
ANDROID CAN
STOP US? YOU'RE
MAD,
MORLO!



LESS MAD THAN YOU THINK, **LEGIONNAIRE!**
GORN IS NO MERE **ANDROID**... HE IS A
CHEMOID, WHOSE ENTIRE MOLECULAR
STRUCTURE IS BUILT UP OF CHEMICAL
BLOCKS, JUST AS THE STRUCTURE OF THE
FIRST LIFE WAS!... BUT **GORN** CAN ALTER
THESE CHEMICAL BLOCKS, CHANGING HIS
STRUCTURE... AS YOU WILL SEE!

GORN!



LOOK OUT!
HE'S
ATTACKING!

I'LL STOP
HIM...
OWW!

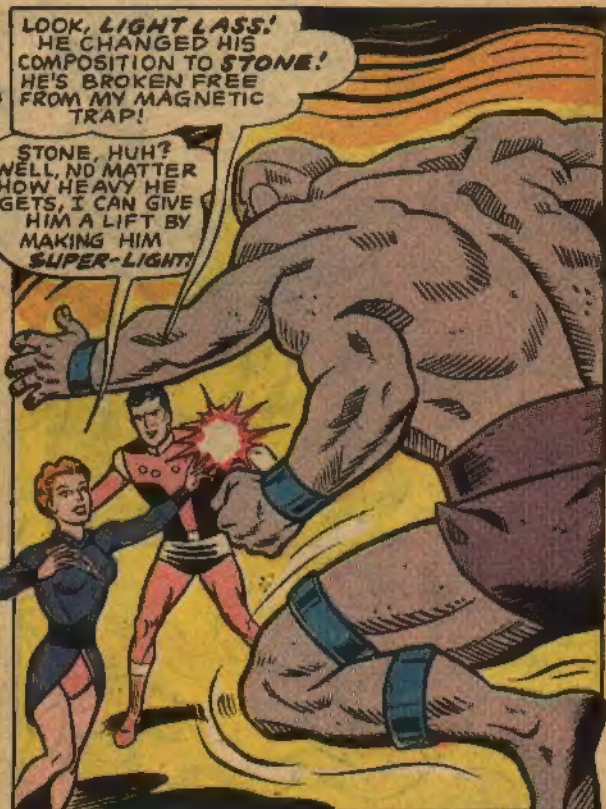
HAH! FOOL!
GORN RE-
ARRANGED HIS CHEMICAL
BLOCK STRUCTURE SO
THAT YOUR FIST MET
METAL, NOT SKIN!



BUT THEN... RELAX, GROUP.
I'LL HANDLE THIS CHEMICAL CREEP!

CLANK!

COSMIC BOY
MAGNETIZED GORN'S METAL SKIN TO THE WALL... HE'S HELPLESS!



LOOK, LIGHT LASS! HE CHANGED HIS COMPOSITION TO STONE! HE'S BROKEN FREE FROM MY MAGNETIC TRAP!

STONE, HUH? WELL, NO MATTER HOW HEAVY HE GETS, I CAN GIVE HIM A LIFT BY MAKING HIM SUPER-LIGHT!



AND NO MATTER HOW LIGHT HE GETS, I CAN PUT HIM DOWN BY INCREASING HIS WEIGHT 1,000-FOLD!

CR-RASH!

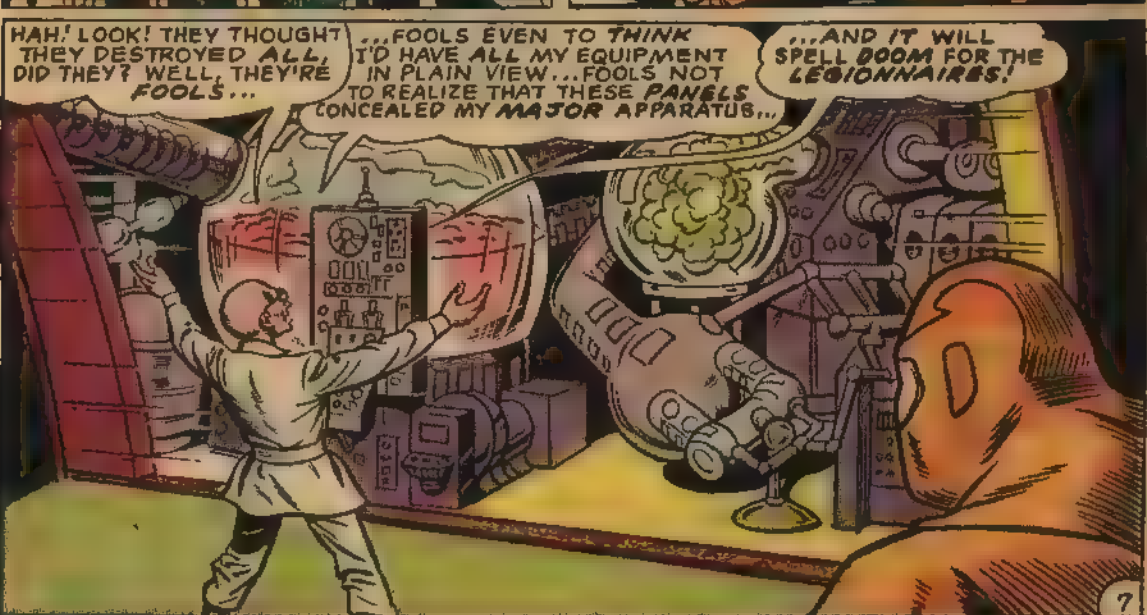
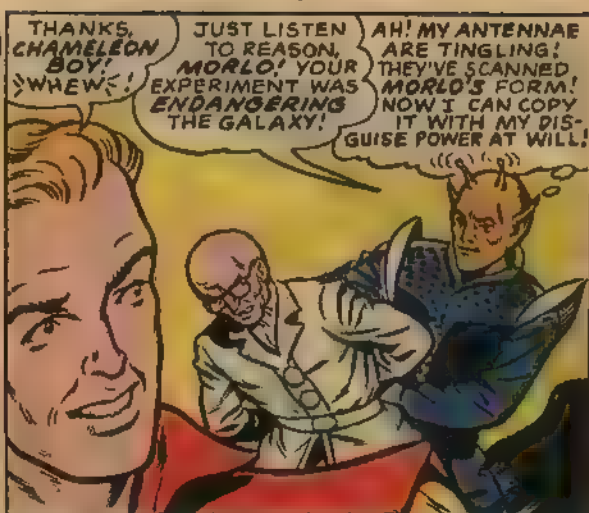
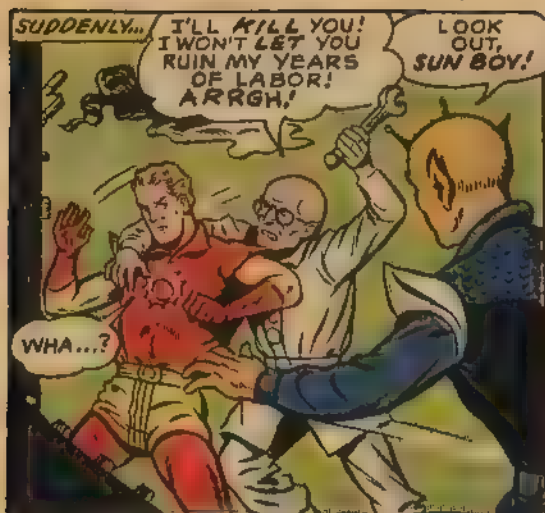
WE'VE WON! HE'S DEFEATED!

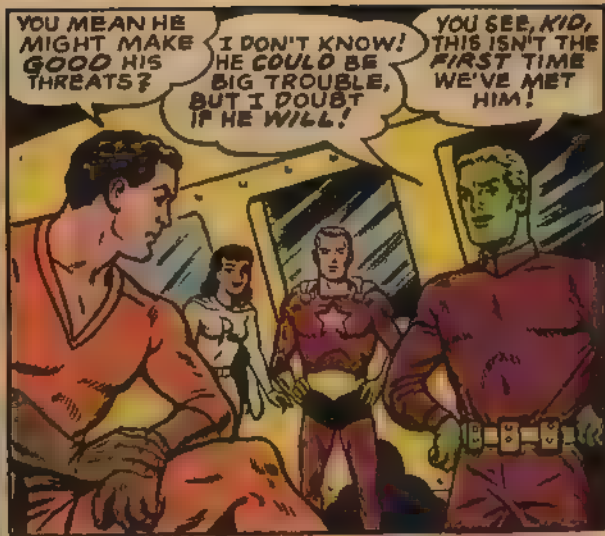
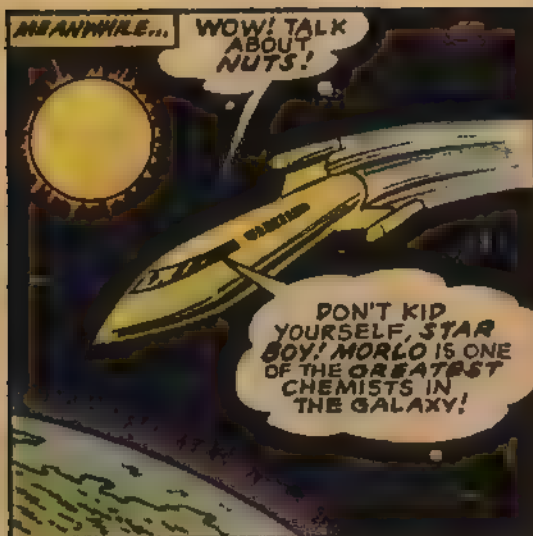
NO!
NO!



NOW, SUN BOY, I'LL POINT OUT HIS VITAL EQUIPMENT, AND YOU FUSE IT INTO USELESS SLAG!

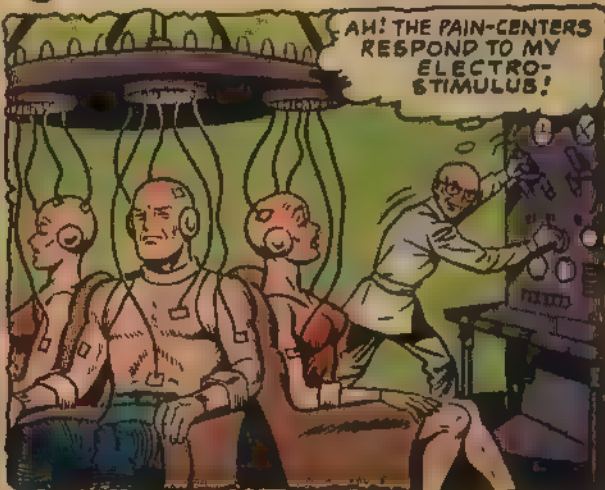
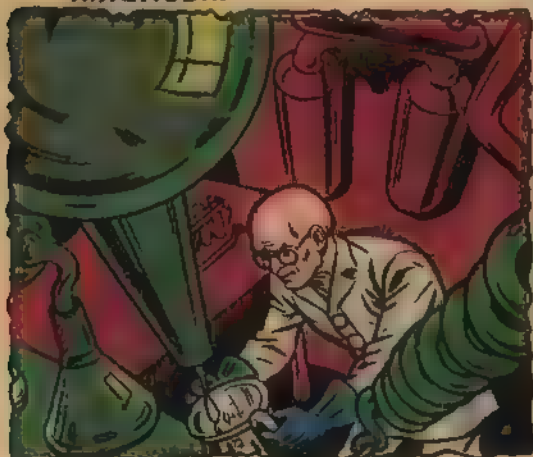
NO! DON'T RUIN MY EQUIPMENT! STOP! DON'T! NO!!!





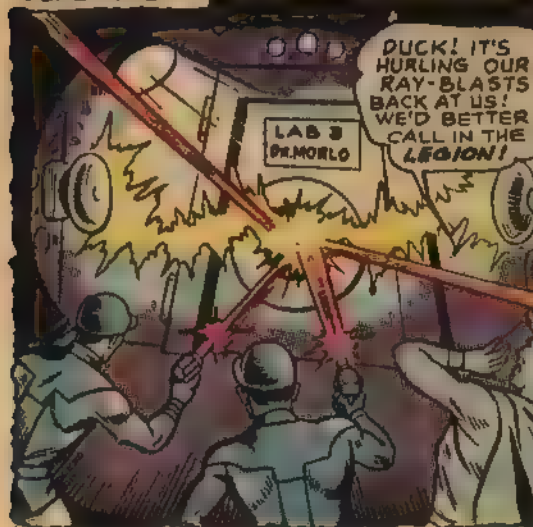
"MORLO WAS A RESEARCH CHEMIST AT A MOON LAB COMPLEX...UNDERPAID...UNAPPRECIATED...UNTIL HE BEGAN A SPECTACULAR SERIES OF EXPERIMENTS ON THOUGHT-PROCESS CHEMICAL KINETICS..."

"HE WAS LAUDED BY THE FOREMOST NEURO-PHYSIOLOGISTS AND BIOCHEMISTS...TILL IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT HE HAD ENSLAVED HUMAN 'GUINEA-PIGS' FOR USE IN HIS EXPERIMENTS..."



"THE AUTHORITIES TRIED TO ARREST HIM... BUT FAILED TO BREACH MORLO'S DEFENSES!"

"WITH OUR SUPER-POWERS, WE EASILY CAPTURED MORLO AND FREED HIS SLAVES. BUT AS SOME OF US LED HIM AWAY..."



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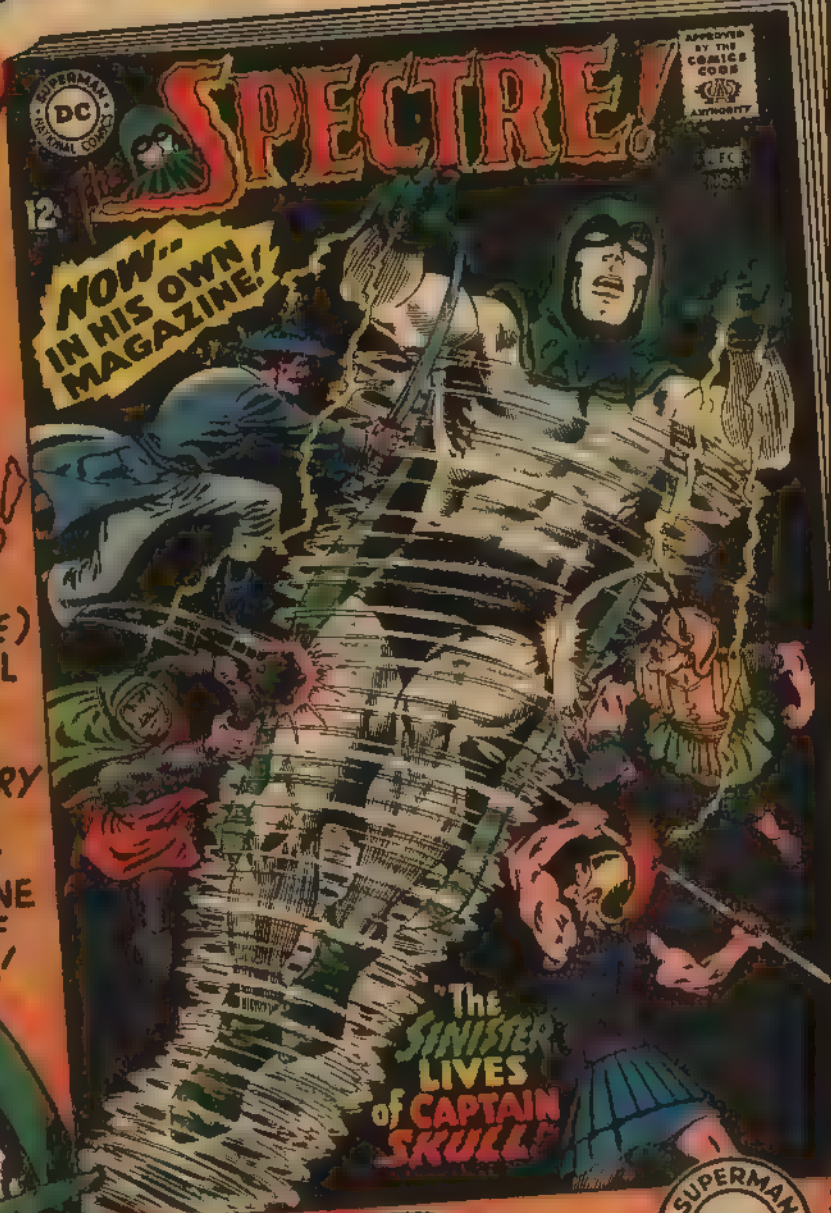
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EXPLOITS
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THOSE OF ANYONE
IN OR *OUT* OF
THIS WORLD!



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MISS THIS ISSUE --OR
YOU'LL BE *HAUNTED* THE
REST OF YOUR LIFE!



ON SALE
SEPT. 21st!

MEET THE LEGIONNAIRES

For the benefit of our newer readers, who aren't familiar with all the Legion members, here is a complete list of them, with their real names, planets or origin and powers:

BOUNCING BOY (Chuck Taine)—Planet Earth—Ability to inflate and bounce like a rubber ball.

BRAINIAC 5 (Querl Dox)—Planet Colu—12th-level mind, twice as powerful as those of ordinary humans, makes him a flesh-and-blood "computer."

CHAMELEON BOY (Reep Daggles)—Planet Durla—Power to assume any form he chooses.

COLOSSAL BOY (Gim Allon)—Planet Earth—Can grow to gigantic size.

COSMIC BOY (Rokk Krinn)—Planet Braal—Magnetic powers.

DREAM GIRL (Nura Nal)—Planet Naltor—Limited ability to see into the future.

DUO DAMSEL (Luornu Durgu)—Planet Cargg—Power to split into two identical forms.

ELEMENT LAD (Jan Arrah)—Planet Trom—Can change any element into any other element, even when it is part of a compound.

INVISIBLE KID (Lyle Norg)—Planet Earth—Can vanish at will.

KARATE KID (Val Armorr)—Planet Earth—Super-developed ability in judo, karate, and other fighting methods.

LIGHT LASS (Ayla Ranzz)—Planet Winath—Can make any object super-lightweight.

LIGHTNING LAD (Garth Ranzz, Ayla's brother)—Planet Winath—Shoots lightning bolts from his fingertips.

MATTER-EATER LAD (Tenzil Kem)—Planet Bismoll—Can eat anything in any amount without harm.

MON-EL (Lar Gand)—Planet Daxam—Same powers as Superboy, but different weakness. He must take a serum from time to time or lead will be deadly to him. This serum gives him powers under a red sun, unlike other Daxamians.

PHANTOM GIRL (Tinya Wazzo)—Planet Bgztl—Can become immaterial and walk through walls.

PRINCESS PROJECTRA (Her real name)—Planet Orando—Projects realistic illusions.

SATURN GIRL (Imra Ardeen)—Planet Saturn—Telepathic powers.

SHRINKING VIOLET (Sahu Digby)—Planet Imsk—Can shrink to incredibly tiny size.

STAR BOY (Thom Kallor)—Planet Xanthu—Draws mass from the stars and uses it to make objects super-heavy.

SUN BOY (Dirk Morgna)—Planet Earth—A human beacon of heat and light.

SUPERBOY (Clark Kent, born Kal-El)—Planet Krypton—Super-strength, speed, invulnerability, flight, super-breath, super-senses, etc.

SUPERGIRL (Linda Lee Danvers, born Kara Zor-El)—Planet Krypton—same powers as her cousin, Superboy.

ULTRA BOY (Jo Nah)—Planet Rimbor—Ultra-strength, ultra-speed, ultra-vision (penetra vision, which can see through lead, flash vision, etc.) and invulnerability; but he can only use one power at a time.

HONORARY MEMBERS

ELASTIC LAD (Jimmy Olsen)—Planet Earth—Can stretch his body like a rubber band.

PETE ROSS—Planet Earth—Superboy's best friend; has no super-powers.

LEGION RESERVISTS

INSECT QUEEN (Lana Lang)—Planet Earth—Uses a bio-ring to change into any insect form.

KID PSYCHO (Gnill Opral)—Planet Hajor—Can create impenetrable mental force-fields, but shortens his life by one year each time he does so.

LEGION OF SUBSTITUTE HEROES

CHLOROPHYLL KID (Ral Benem)—Planet Mardru—Induces super-fast growth in plants.

COLOR KID (Ulu Vakk)—Planet Lupra—Emits rays which can change the color of anything.

FIRE LAD (Staq Mavien)—Planet Shwar—Flame-breath.

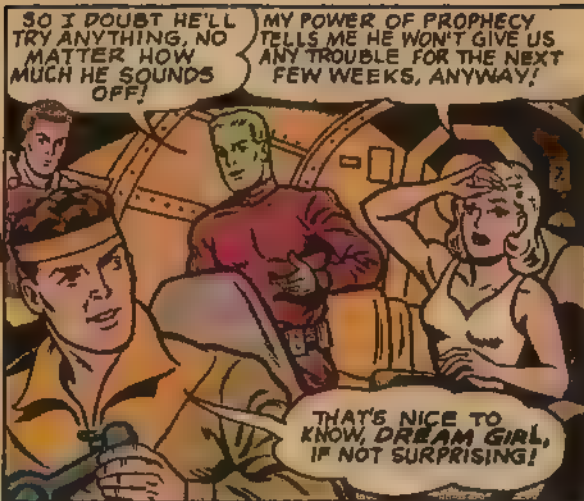
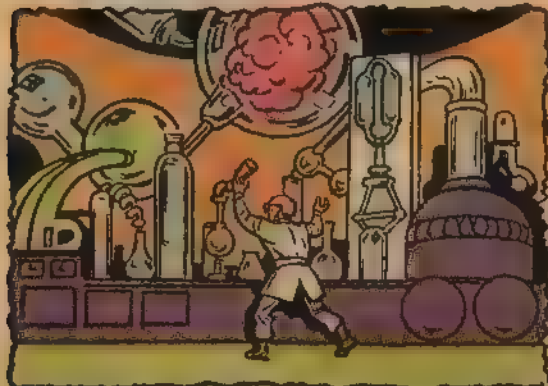
NIGHT GIRL (Lydda Jath)—Planet Kathoon—Super-strength, but only at night or in deep shadow.

POLAR BOY (Brek Bannin)—Planet Tharr—Creates super-cold.

STONE BOY (Dag Wentum)—Planet Zwen—Can turn his body to solid stone.



"HE HAD DONE NO PHYSICAL HARM TO THE CAPTIVES, SO MORLO WAS GIVEN A SHORT SENTENCE. AFTER HE WAS RELEASED, HE SET UP HIS SPACE LAB... BUT HE NEVER TRIED TO CARRY OUT HIS REVENGE THREAT..."

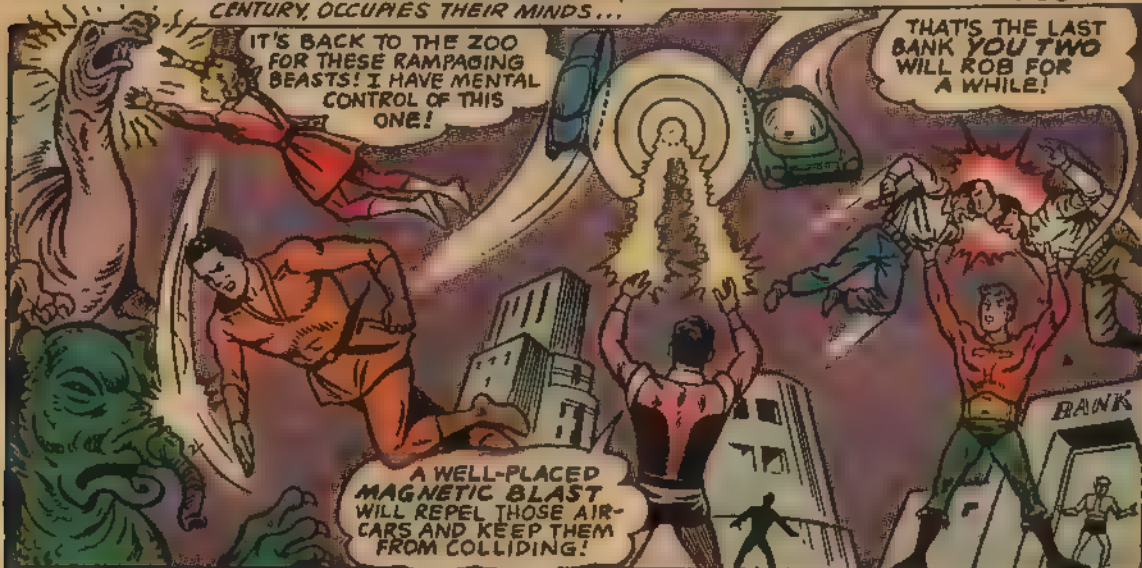


SO I DOUBT HE'LL TRY ANYTHING, NO MATTER HOW MUCH HE SOUNDS OFF!

MY POWER OF PROPHECY TELLS ME HE WON'T GIVE US ANY TROUBLE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, ANYWAY!

THAT'S NICE TO KNOW, DREAM GIRL, IF NOT SURPRISING!

AND SO DR. MANTIS MORLO FADES FROM THE THOUGHTS OF THE LEGIONNAIRES, AS THE CONSTANT BARRAGE OF MINOR EMERGENCIES, EVER PRESENT IN THE COMPLEX 30TH CENTURY, OCCUPIES THEIR MINDS...



IT'S BACK TO THE ZOO FOR THESE RAMPAGING BEASTS! I HAVE MENTAL CONTROL OF THIS ONE!

THAT'S THE LAST BANK YOU TWO WILL ROB FOR A WHILE!

A WELL-PLACED MAGNETIC BLAST WILL REPEL THOSE AIR-CARS AND KEEP THEM FROM COLLIDING!

ONE DAY... SUPERBOY! I JUST GOT EMERGENCY CALLS FROM DAXAM, BRANDO AND HALTOR. ALL URGENT ONES!

THREE? WOW! GOOD THING MOST OF US ARE ON BASE! I'LL GET THE OTHERS!

SOON...

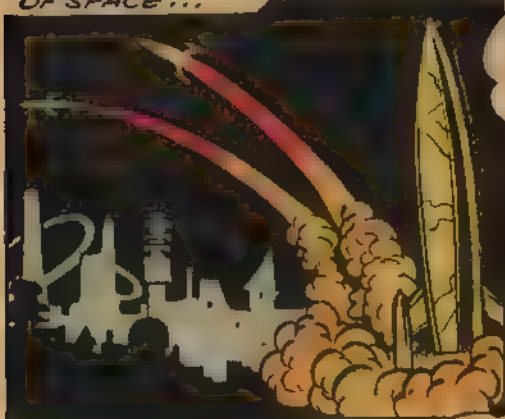
HMM...ALL THESE ARE LEGIONNAIRES' HOME WORLDS! WELL, SO MUCH THE BETTER! MON-EL CAN LEAD THE GROUP TO DAXAM, DREAM GIRL TO HALTOR, AND PRINCESS PROJECTRA TO BRANDO!



WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? LET'S GO!

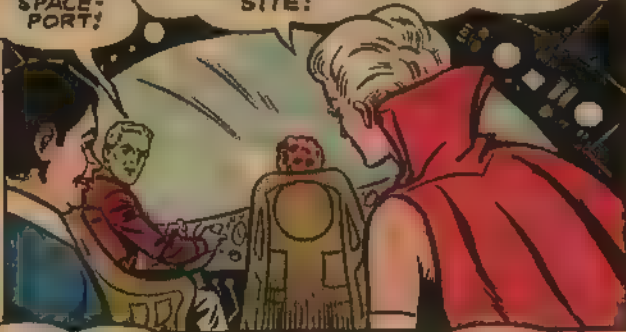
SHORTLY, THREE SWIFT LEGION CRUISERS
SPEED OFF INTO THE BLACKNESS
OF SPACE...

...AND AFTER DAYS OF SPACE-WARP FLIGHT,
THE FIRST CRUISER COMES INTO VIEW OF...
ORANDO...



PRINCESS!
I CAN'T
SEEM TO
RAISE A
SPACE-
PORT!

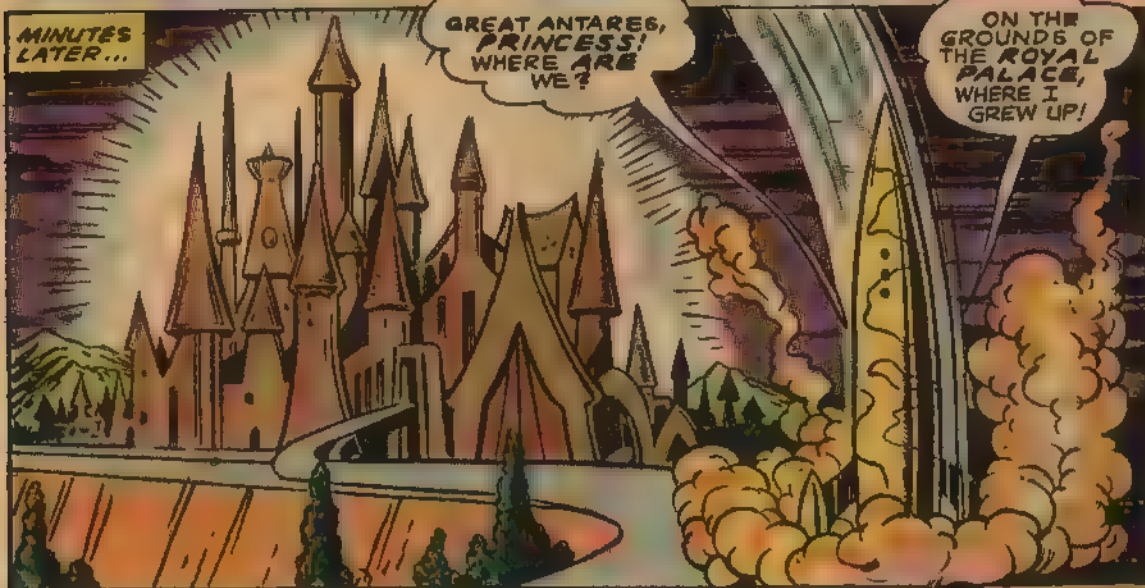
THAT'S BECAUSE THERE ARE
NONE, BRAINIAC S! FOLLOW MY
INSTRUCTIONS... I WILL GUIDE
YOU TO A SUITABLE LANDING
SITE!



MINUTES
LATER...

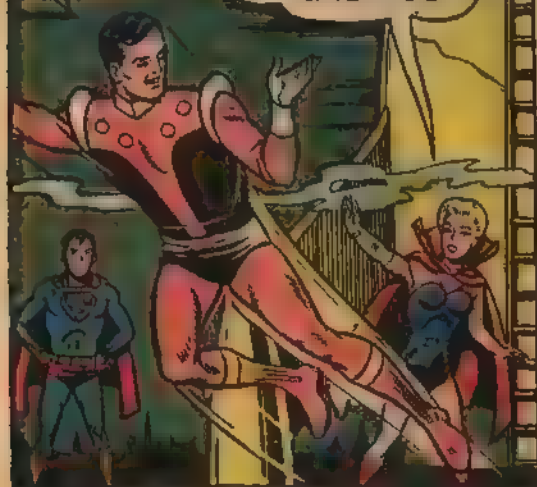
GREAT ANTARES,
PRINCESS!
WHERE ARE
WE?

ON THE
GROUNDS OF
THE ROYAL
PALACE,
WHERE I
GREW UP!



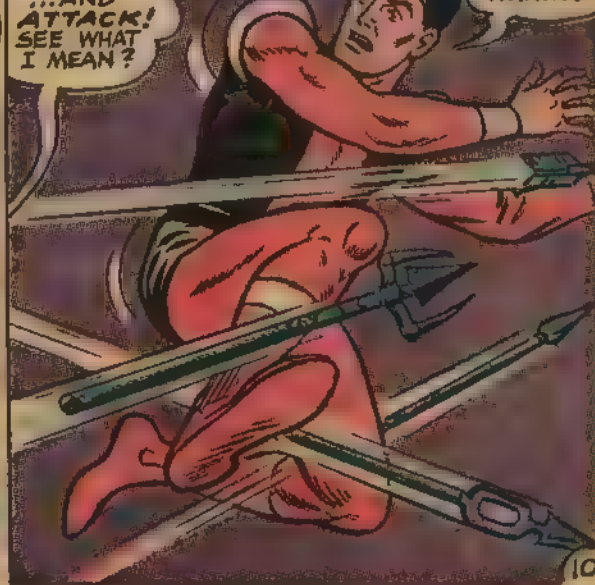
I'M GOING
TO TAKE
A LOOK
AROUND,
GROUP!

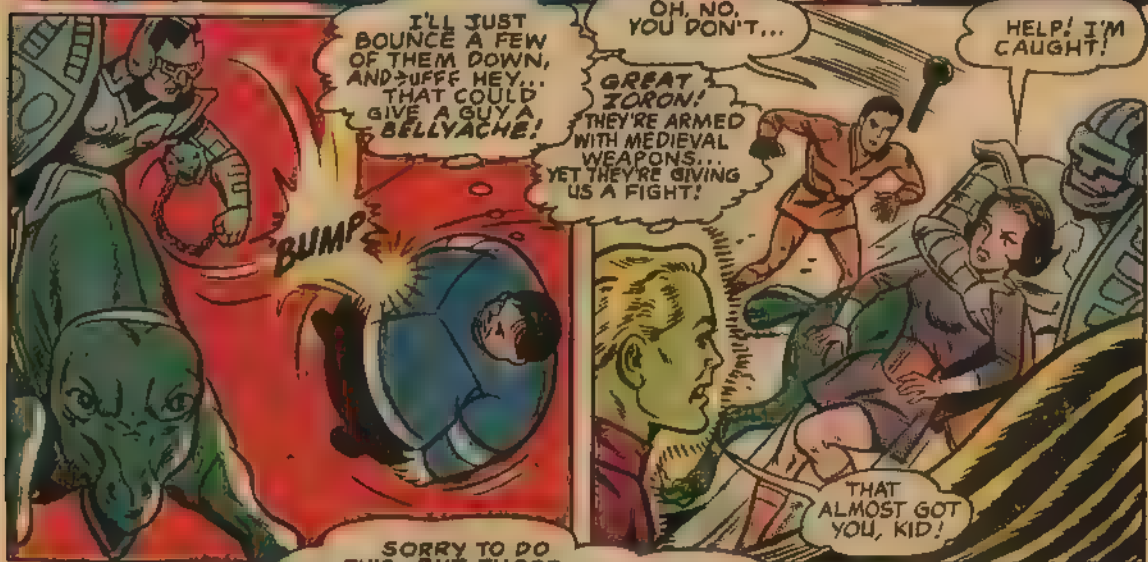
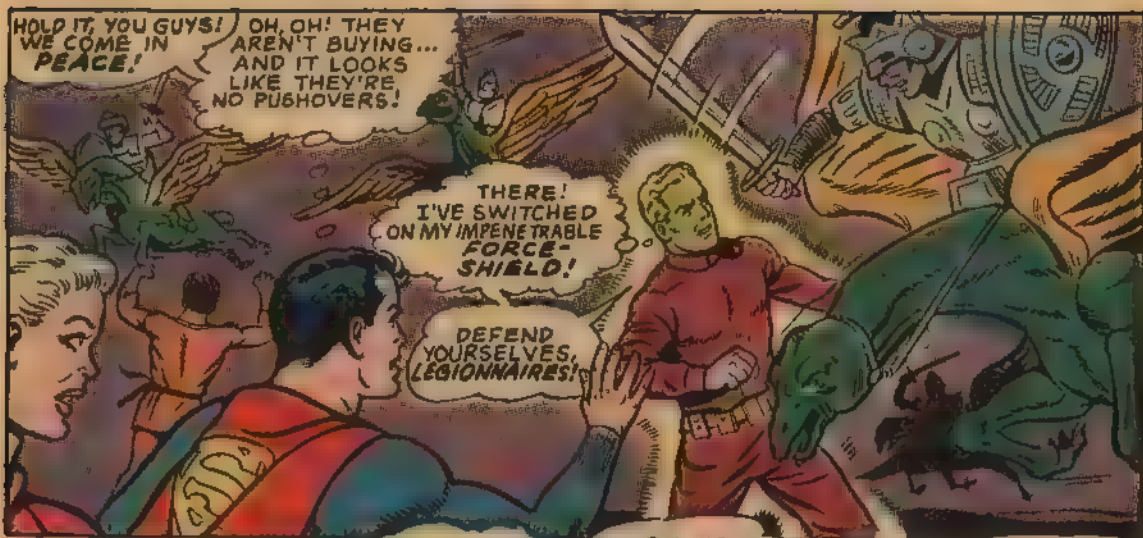
NO... WAIT, COSMIC
BOY! WE MUST ALL
REMAIN HERE TILL
WE ARE RECOGNIZED,
OR THE FLYING GUARDS
WILL THINK WE'RE
ENEMIES...



...AND
ATTACK!
SEE WHAT
I MEAN?

WHA...?





AND SO, MINUTES LATER,
IN THE THRONE ROOM OF
THE ROYAL PALACE...

I HAVE RETURNED IN YOUR
HOUR OF NEED, FATHER, WITH
POWERFUL NOBLES OF OTHER
WORLDS AT MY SIDE,
TO ELIMINATE THE
THREAT TO OUR
KINGDOM!

NOBLES, HUH? I GUESS
IT WOULD HAVE HURT
HER HIGHNESS' IMAGE
TO ADMIT SHE WAS IN THE
COMPANY OF
"PEASANTS"!

THEY
WILL SOLVE
OUR PROBLEM,
DAUGHTER?

THEY ARE EACH...ER...
GIFTED WITH STRANGE
POWERS, SIRE, EVEN AS
I AM! I'M SURE
THEY'LL BE GLAD
TO SHOW YOU!

BY GADRON! ONE
FLIES... CARRYING
THE QUEEN'S
MARBLE
THRONE!

ANOTHER
BOUNCES
LIKE A BALL!

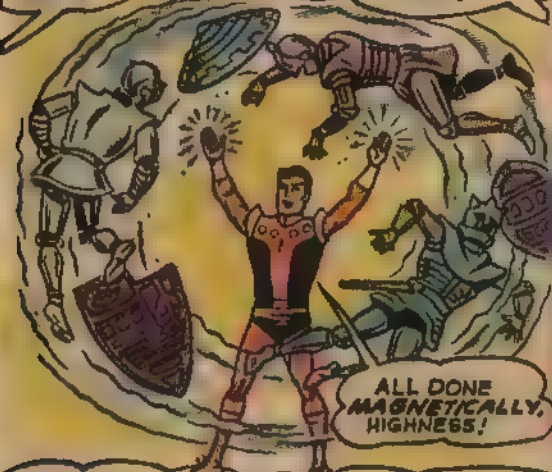
AND... STARS
OF MALOS!
THAT ONE MAID
HAS BECOME
TWO!

JUST A SAMPLE OF
THE POWERS OF
SUPERBOY, BOUNCING
BOY AND DUO
DAMSEL, SIRE! THE
OTHERS ARE EQUALLY
AMAZING!

TEEN BEAT IS COMING!

FOR INSTANCE, WHAT WIZARDRY IS THIS? HE LOOK AT COSMIC BOY!

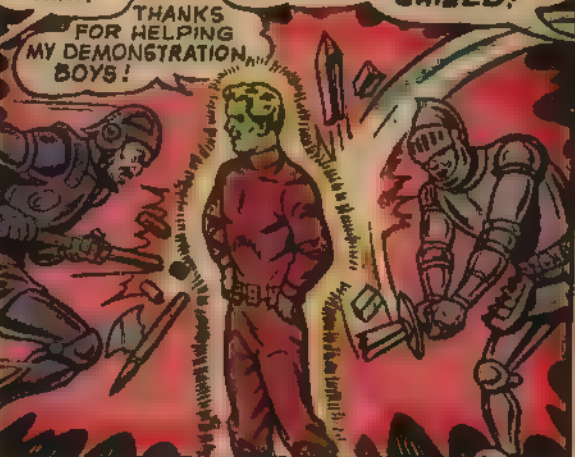
JUGGLES THOSE HEAVY SUITS OF ARMOR WITHOUT TOUCHING THEM!



ALL DONE MAGNETICALLY, HIGHNESS!

AND THAT ONE! NO WEAPONS CAN TOUCH HIM!

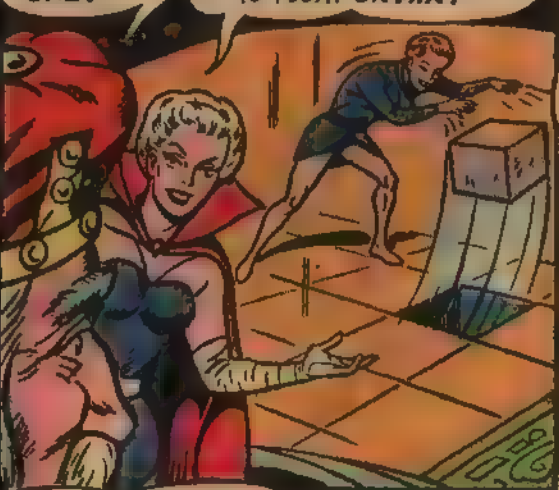
BRAINIAC 5'S MIGHTY BRAIN DEvised A BELT WHICH CREATES AN IMPENETRABLE FORCE-SHIELD!



THANKS FOR HELPING MY DEMONSTRATION BOYS!

DEVILS OF DANTARR! ...THIS MAID! WHAT POWER HAS SHE?

SHE IS LIGHT LAGS, MY LORD! SHE CAN MAKE SOLID MARBLE LIGHT ENOUGH TO FLOAT ON AIR!



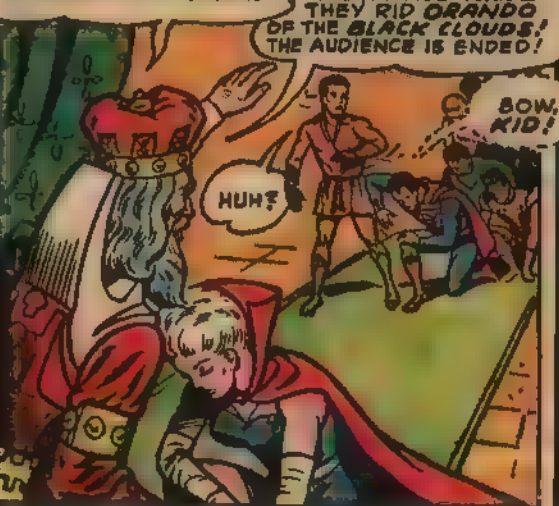
...AND HE IS KARATE KID, WHO CAN FELL THE TALLEST TREE WITH HIS BLOWS, AS HE DOES THAT PILLAR!

AMAZING! AND THEY HAVE COME HERE TO SOLVE OUR PROBLEM, EH? I BELIEVE THEY CAN!



LET IT BE DONE, THEN! I WILL HAVE QUARTERS PREPARED FOR THEM!

THEY WILL STAY IN THE PALACE WHILE THEY RID ORANDO OF THE BLACK CLOUDS! THE AUDIENCE IS ENDED!



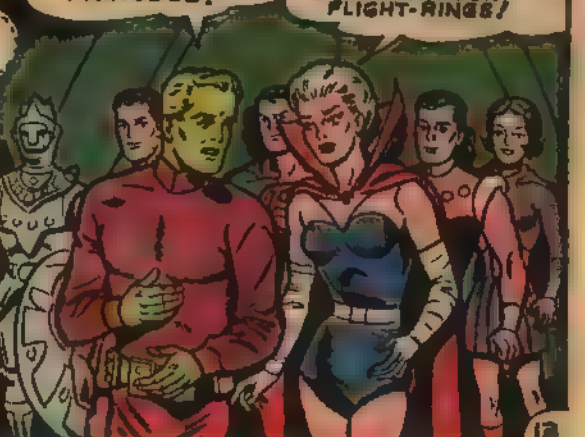
BOW, KID!

HUH?

AND OUTSIDE THE THRONE ROOM...

BLACK CLOUDS! WAS HE TRYING TO SAY YOU HAVE SMOG HERE ON ORANDO, PRINCESS?

YES... BUT WE HAVE NO INDUSTRY TO CAUSE IT! LET'S TAKE A FIRST-HAND LOOK WITH OUR FLIGHT-RINGS!



MINUTES LATER...

ONLY PEACEFUL FARMS!

NOTHING I CAN SEE THAT WOULD CAUSE SMOG!

ORANDO IS A BACKWARD WORLD, WITH NO FACTORIES OR CARS TO MAKE SMOKE... BUT STILL IT BLACKENS OUR CITIES, BRINGS DEATH... AND WORSE, BLOTS OUT THE STARS!

THE STARS?

WE OF ORANDO BELIEVE THE STARS FORETELL FATE, AND WHEN HUGE BLACK CLOUDS BLOT THEM OUT FOR DAYS AT A TIME, IT IS A BAD OMEN!

SUDDENLY...

LOOK! OVER THE CITY OF PALIK RAMOS!

THE SMOG IS MOVING IN!

WE MUST DO SOMETHING! FROM THERE IT WILL DRIFT TOWARD THE GOLDEN PALACE!

LET'S GO!

SECONDS LATER...

CHOKES MURKY, STINGING VAPORS... CAN'T SEE... OR BREATHE!

THE MARKET PLACE... BARE! EVERYONE HAS FLED!

THIS SMOG BLACKENS AND CORRODES EVERYTHING IT TOUCHES!

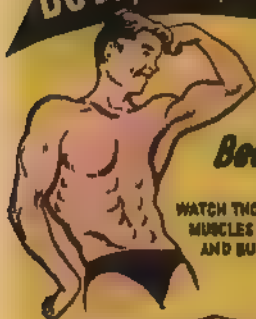
STOP IT? HOW? MY SUPER-KARATE AND BOUNCING SURB WON'T DO MUCH GOOD!

WE MUST STOP IT! IF IT REACHES THE PALACE, IT WILL DESTROY THE PRIDE OF OUR LAND!

THE METALLIC PARTICLES OF THE SMOG!

CONTINUED ON 4TH PAGE FOLLOWING.

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MUSCLES GROW
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Dear Editor:

Thank heavens you have Jim Shooter as a writer! Youngster or not, he's dreamed up the most well-thought-out, interesting, intelligent Legion stories in years. He has a great future in the comics world—and maybe science fiction writing, if he takes a mind to it. I specifically refer to "The End of the Legion." The idea is not new. However, this story was the most fast-moving one I've ever read in any comic! The sight of the Legionnaires on the run, the return of Supergirl and Bouncing Boy, the Prison Planetoid, the gang fight scenes, the glimpses of the home life of our heroes, and the excellent touches of politics and trial-by-jury—30th century style—were what made the issue. Seeing the Legion in civilian clothes—especially Chameleon Boy—was a novel experience. The comic had everything.

—Rand Lee, Roxbury, Conn.

(You seem to echo the opinion of numerous other fans concerning our talented teen, Jim Shooter. "Sharp" Shooter, by the way, is the author of a sensational imaginary novel in the December World's Finest which tells what would have happened if Clark Kent and Bruce Wayne had been BROTHERS!—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

I have been reading ADVENTURE for about two years and have been studying the heroes' powers, especially Sun Boy's. In past issues you show him completely in flames. Why doesn't he burn up? Or is he invulnerable? And don't tell me he has a protective aura like the Flash.

—Dan Patnode, Menomonee Falls, Wis.

(Sun Boy acquired the power of being fire-proof when he was accidentally locked in an atomic reactor. You'll be interested to know he has been inspected by the 30th-century fire department, and they declared he was not a fire hazard.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

What are the real names of the Legionnaires? For instance, what do Chameleon Boy's parents call him?

—Bill Jochims, Milwaukee, Wis.

(Look for the page in this issue which introduces all the Legionnaires, their planets of origin and their powers. This is published as a service in answer to all the hundreds of requests we've been getting from fans like you.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

I'm a little mixed up. In No. 359, you have Duo Damsel's home on Earth. If she was born here, how did she get her super-powers? I see Invisible Kid lives on Earth, too. But what about Karate Kid? He said he called his parents from his apartment.

—Kenny Hatfield, Bloomington, Minn.

(Duo Damsel got her powers from the triple sun of her

home world; her family later moved to Earth. Invisible Kid and Karate Kid are both natives of Earth, but Invisible Kid's parents live in Metropolis, while Karate Kid's folks live in a nearby Earth city, due to the housing shortage.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

After reading issue 359, I promptly stepped into my time-bubble (which was given to me by Brainiac 5) and set the controls for the 30th century where I was to attend a Legion meeting as their most loyal fan. On my arrival I was arrested by the Science Police for associating with the outlawed Legionnaires. I didn't resist, because I felt my hero, Element Lad, would not want me to. Also, I did not drink any WATER, because I did not want to come under the control of Kandor Bol-tax and his fiendish plots. I am now in prison. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

—Robert Gold, Jackson Heights, N.Y.

(Get your hero to change you from Gold to Mercury and flow under the door.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

I have just read "The End of the Legion" for the third time. I think I have spotted Princess Projectra's boy friend. He is Karate Kid. He certainly waded into those young punks who hurt her. Am I right? Does he really have a crush on her?

—Jack Knight, Oakland, Calif.

(Read this issue, see them together, and draw your own conclusions.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In No. 358, Chameleon Boy says he can copy a creature's shape, but not its powers. Yet in No. 359, you show him spinning a web when he takes a spider's shape.

—Jack McKenzie, Paramus, N.J.

(He can sometimes copy such abilities to a limited extent. For instance, he can fly when he takes the form of a bird—but he can't lay eggs.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

An open letter to Elizabeth Kane, who enjoys romance in the Legion: Your last letter was outrageous and uncalled for. You make boys sound like cold, heartless beasts. Don't you think that we fellows were sad when Ferro Lad was killed? In one issue, six boys wrote in to protest his death, showing how broken-up they were. Where were the girls?

—Marc Delman, Omaha, Neb.

(We received letters from them, too, but we couldn't read them. The tears had smeared the ink.—Ed.)

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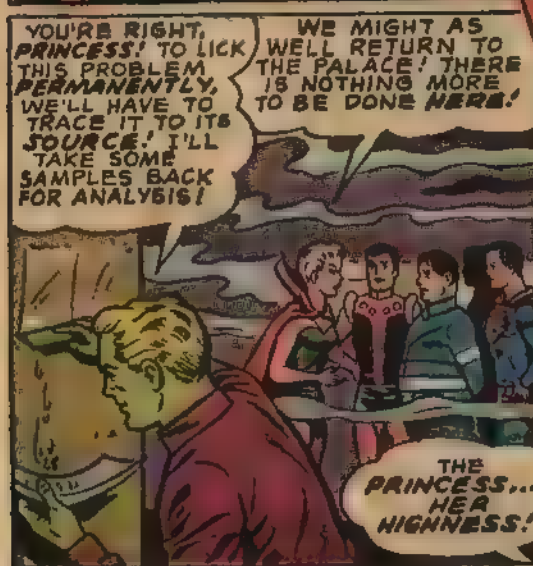
MAYBE I CAN DO SOMETHING... STAND BACK, GROUP!

SUPERBOY'S SPINNING AT SUPER-SPEED!



LOOK! **SUPERBOY CREATED A WHIRLWIND TO CARRY AWAY THE SMOG!**

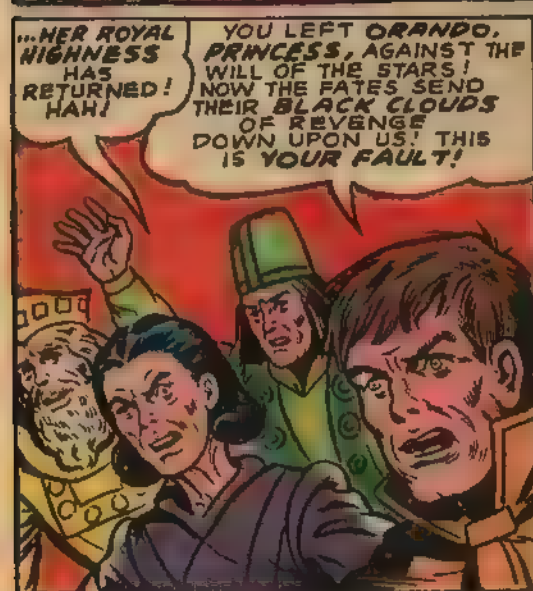
YES... BUT THE SMOG IS ALL OVER ORANDO! THIS CAN ONLY HELP TEMPORARILY!



YOU'RE RIGHT, PRINCESS! TO LICK THIS PROBLEM PERMANENTLY, WE'LL HAVE TO TRACE IT TO ITS SOURCE! I'LL TAKE SOME SAMPLES BACK FOR ANALYSIS!

WE MIGHT AS WELL RETURN TO THE PALACE! THERE IS NOTHING MORE TO BE DONE HERE!

THE PRINCESS... HER HIGHNESS!



...HER ROYAL HIGHNESS HAS RETURNED! HAH!

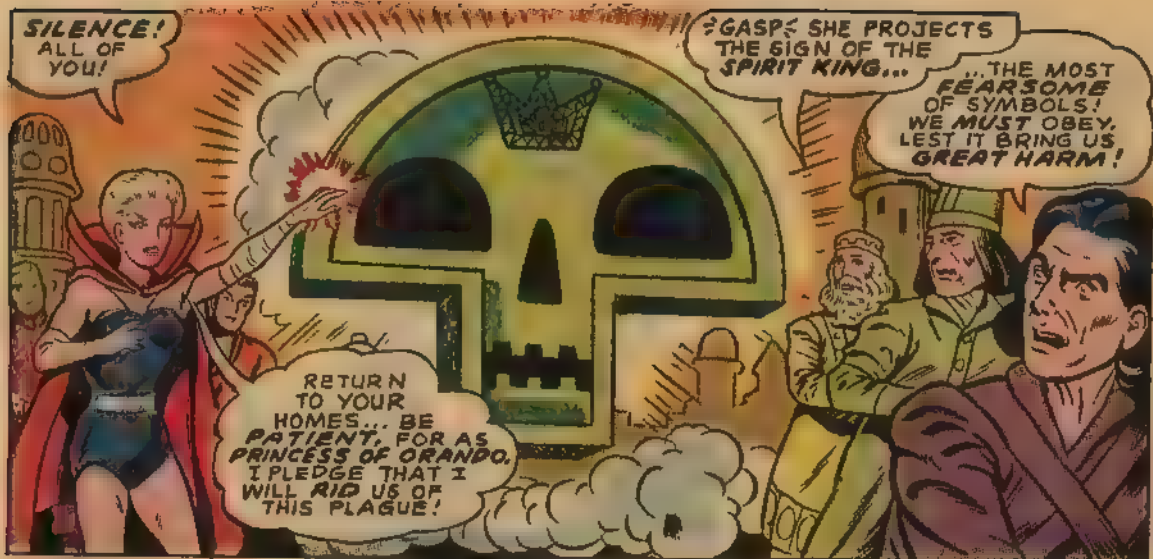
YOU LEFT ORANDO, PRINCESS, AGAINST THE WILL OF THE STARS! NOW THE FATES SEND THEIR BLACK CLOUDS OF REVENGE DOWN UPON US! THIS IS YOUR FAULT!



YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE! YOU'VE DOOMED US ALL!

PRINCESS, DO YOU WANT US TO...

NO! I WILL HANDLE THIS!



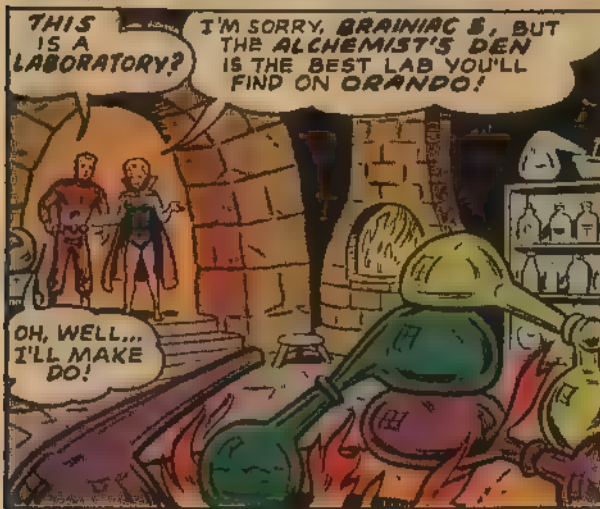
**SILENCE!
ALL OF
YOU!**

**GASP! SHE PROJECTS
THE SIGN OF THE
SPIRIT KING...**

**...THE MOST
FEARFUL
OF SYMBOLS!
WE MUST OBEY.
LEST IT BRING US
GREAT HARM!**

**RETURN
TO YOUR
HOMES... BE
PATIENT, FOR AS
PRINCESS OF ORANDO,
I PLEDGE THAT I
WILL RID US OF
THIS PLAGUE!**

SOON, BACK AT THE PALACE...



**THIS
IS A
LABORATORY?**

**I'M SORRY, BRAINAC 5, BUT
THE ALCHEMIST'S DEN
IS THE BEST LAB YOU'LL
FIND ON ORANDO!**

**OH, WELL...
I'LL MAKE
DO!**

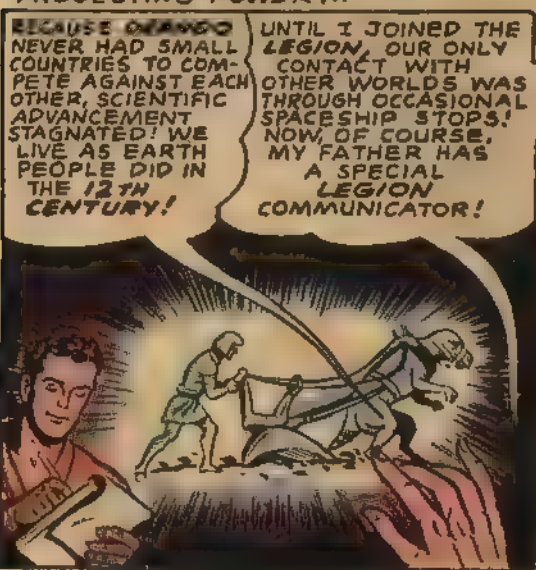
LATER, IN THE PRINCESS' CHAMBERS...



**WHO?... OH,
KARATE KID!
WHAT CAN
I DO FOR
YOU?**

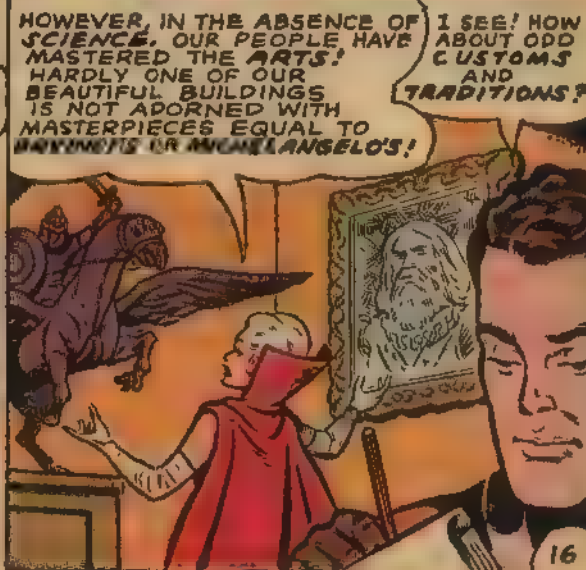
**ER... SINCE YOU HAVE NO
COMPUTERS ON ORANDO
TO FEED DATA DIRECTLY
INTO THE AUTO-LOG, I HAVE
TO DO IT MANUALLY. I THOUGHT
YOU MIGHT GIVE ME SOME
INFO ON THIS PLANET!**

**AS THE GIRL USES HER IMAGE-
PROJECTING POWER...**



**BECAUSE ORANDO
NEVER HAD SMALL
COUNTRIES TO COM-
PETE AGAINST EACH
OTHER, SCIENTIFIC
ADVANCEMENT
STAGNATED! WE
LIVE AS EARTH
PEOPLE DID IN
THE 12TH
CENTURY!**

**UNTIL I JOINED THE
LEGION, OUR ONLY
CONTACT WITH
OTHER WORLDS WAS
THROUGH OCCASIONAL
SPACESHIP STOPS!
NOW, OF COURSE,
MY FATHER HAS
A SPECIAL
LEGION
COMMUNICATOR!**



**HOWEVER, IN THE ABSENCE OF
SCIENCE, OUR PEOPLE HAVE
MASTERED THE ARTS!
HARDLY ONE OF OUR
BEAUTIFUL BUILDINGS
IS NOT ADORNED WITH
MASTERPIECES EQUAL TO
DAVINCI'S OR MICHELANGELO'S!**

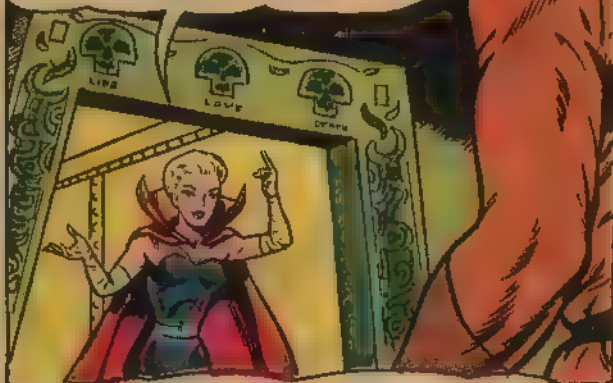
**I SEE! HOW
ABOUT ODD
CUSTOMS
AND
TRADITIONS?**



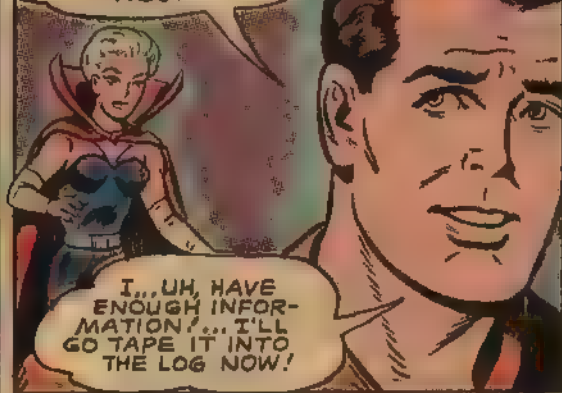
"WE ARE STRONG BELIEVERS IN SPIRITUALISM. MEDIUMS EVEN PERFORM OUR MARRIAGES... FOR THE BRIDE AND GROOM MUST HAVE THE CONSENT OF THEIR DEAD ANCESTORS!"



THAT REMINDS ME... WE HAVE AN **ORANDONESE** EQUIVALENT TO EARTH'S **MISTLETOE**! WHEN A GIRL OF **ORANDO** WISHES TO BE KISSED, SHE STANDS UNDER THE **SPIRIT SIGN OF LOVE**!



I'M SORRY, PRINCESS... I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT!... IT'S JUST THAT THE WAY YOU FACED THAT JEERING MOB TODAY... SO CALMLY AND BRAVELY... YOU REMINDED ME OF SOMEONE ELSE... A LONG TIME AGO!



I... UH, HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION!... I'LL GO TAPE IT INTO THE LOG NOW!

LATER, ELSEWHERE IN THE PALACE...



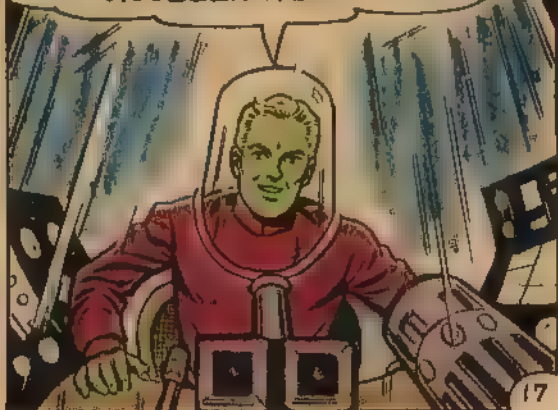
FOR SUCH A BACKWARD PLANET, **ORANDO** CERTAINLY IS CULTURED! LOOK AT ALL THESE BOOKS!

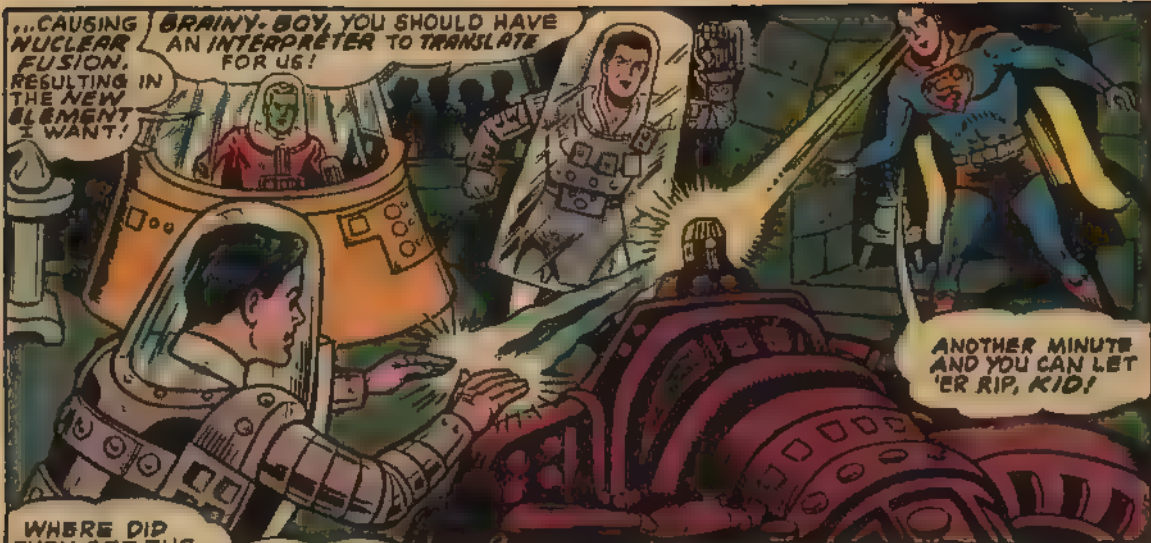
Y'KNOW, THIS ISN'T A BAD LAYOUT! I COULD LEARN TO LIKE IT HERE!

COME ON, YOU TWO! **BRAINIAC** WANTS US IN THE LAB!

AND IN THE ALCHEMIST'S DEN...

SUPERBOY'S CONCENTRATED X-RAYS, COMPLEMENTED BY **COSMIC BOY'S** MAGNETISM, WILL ACTIVATE THE NUCLEI OF THE MINERAL. THEN **KARATE KID'S** BLOW WITH THE **NEUTRO-GLOVE** I MADE HIM WILL ACT AS AN **ULTRA-CYCLOTRONIC ACCELERATOR**...





...CAUSING
NUCLEAR
FUSION.
RESULTING IN
THE NEW
ELEMENT
I WANT!

BRAINY-BOY, YOU SHOULD HAVE
AN INTERPRETER TO TRANSLATE
FOR US!

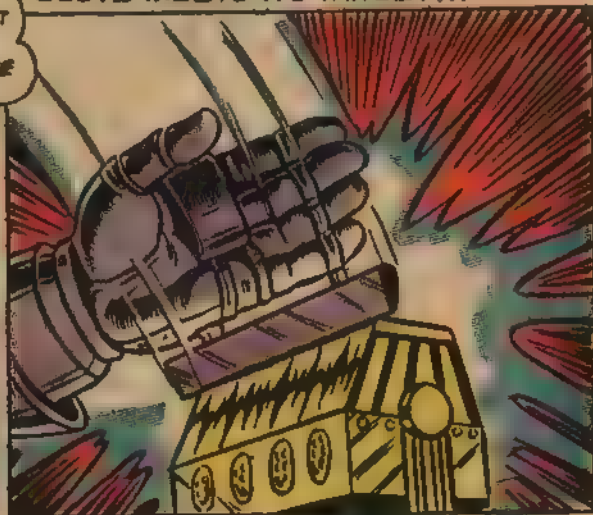
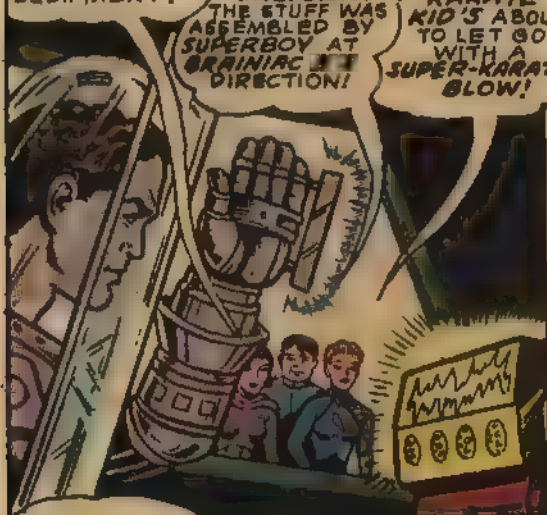
ANOTHER MINUTE
AND YOU CAN LET
'ER RIP, KID!

WHERE DID
THEY GET THE
MATERIALS FOR
THAT
EQUIPMENT?

PARTS FROM
OUR SPACE
CRUISER!
THE STUFF WAS
ASSEMBLED BY
SUPERBOY AT
BRAINIAC'S
DIRECTION!

WATCH...
KARATE
KID'S ABOUT
TO LET GO
WITH A
SUPER-KARATE
BLOW!

WITH CRUSHING IMPACT THE NEUTRO-
GLOVE MEETS ITS TARGET...

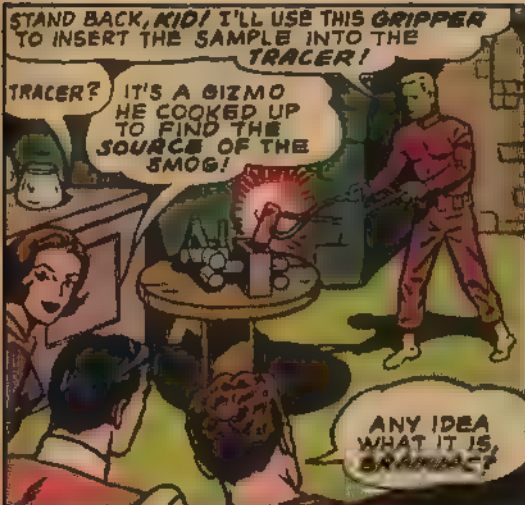


LOOK AT THE
X-RAY SCREEN!
IT WORKED!

THE ATOMS
ARE FUSING!
WE'VE
SUCCEEDED!

GREAT! NOW WE CAN
GET OUT OF THESE HEAVY
ANTI-RADIATION SUITS!

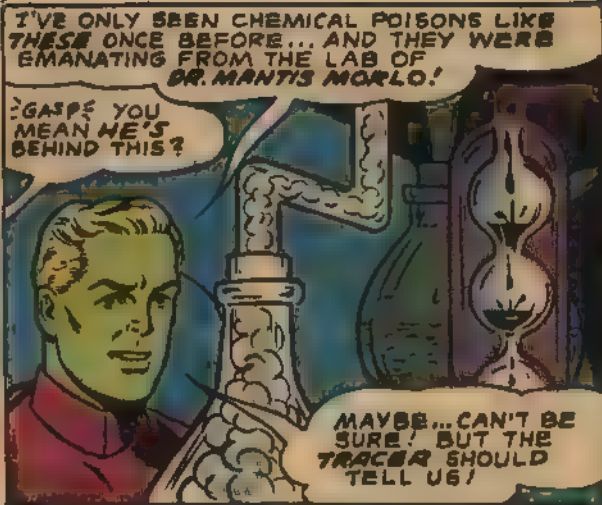




STAND BACK, KID! I'LL USE THIS GRIPPER TO INSERT THE SAMPLE INTO THE TRACER!

TRACER? IT'S A GIZMO HE COOKED UP TO FIND THE SOURCE OF THE SMOG!

ANY IDEA WHAT IT IS, BRADY?

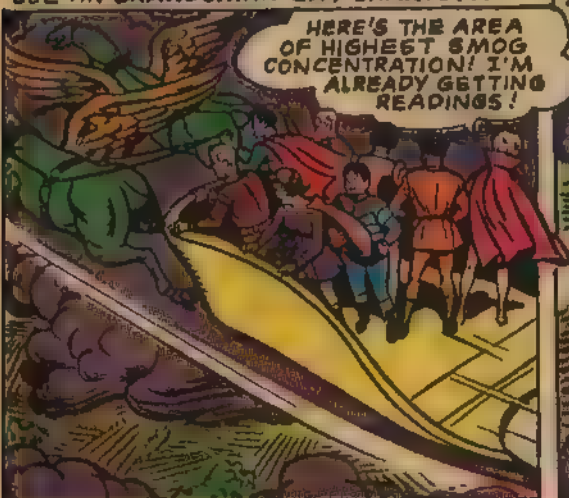


I'VE ONLY SEEN CHEMICAL POISONS LIKE THESE ONCE BEFORE... AND THEY WERE EMANATING FROM THE LAB OF DR. MANTIS MORLO!

GASPS YOU MEAN HE'S BEHIND THIS?

MAYBE... CAN'T BE SURE! BUT THE TRACER SHOULD TELL US!

WITH THE CRUISER TEMPORARILY OUT OF COMMISSION, THE LEGIONNAIRES USE AN ORANDONIAN SKY CHARIOT...



HERE'S THE AREA OF HIGHEST SMOG CONCENTRATION! I'M ALREADY GETTING READINGS!

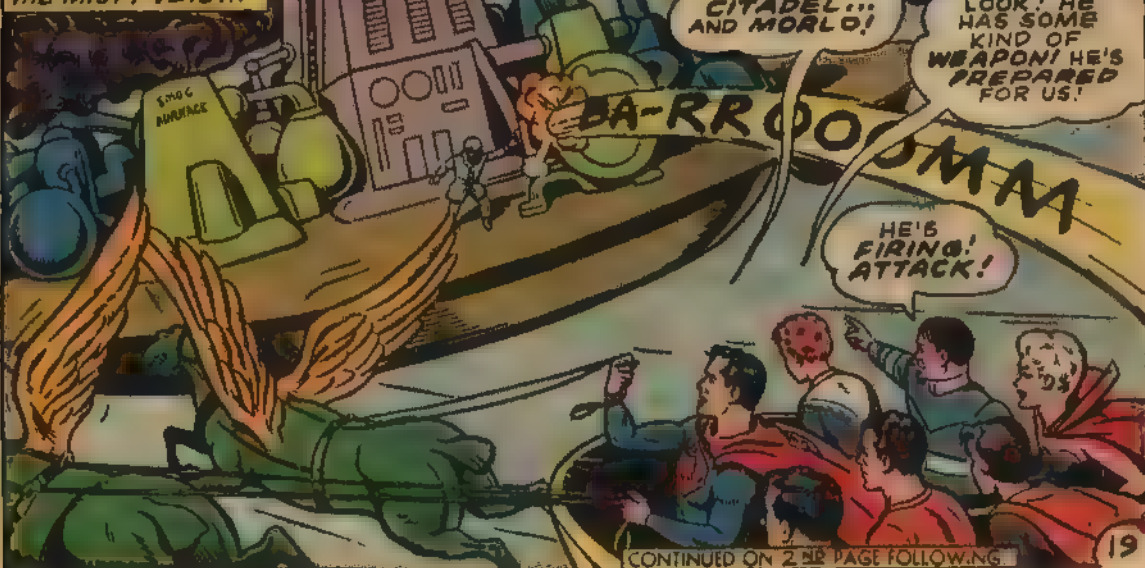
STRANGE... ACCORDING TO THE TRACER, THIS IS THE SPOT... BUT ALL I SEE ARE PEACEFUL FARMS!



BELOW US! BUT WHAT ABOUT ABOVE?

HEY! YOU'VE HIT IT! THERE'S A STRONG WIND, BUT THAT CLOUD HASN'T BUDGED!

AS THE SKY CHARIOT PIERCES THE MISTY VEIL...



GASPS A FLYING CITADEL... AND MORLO!

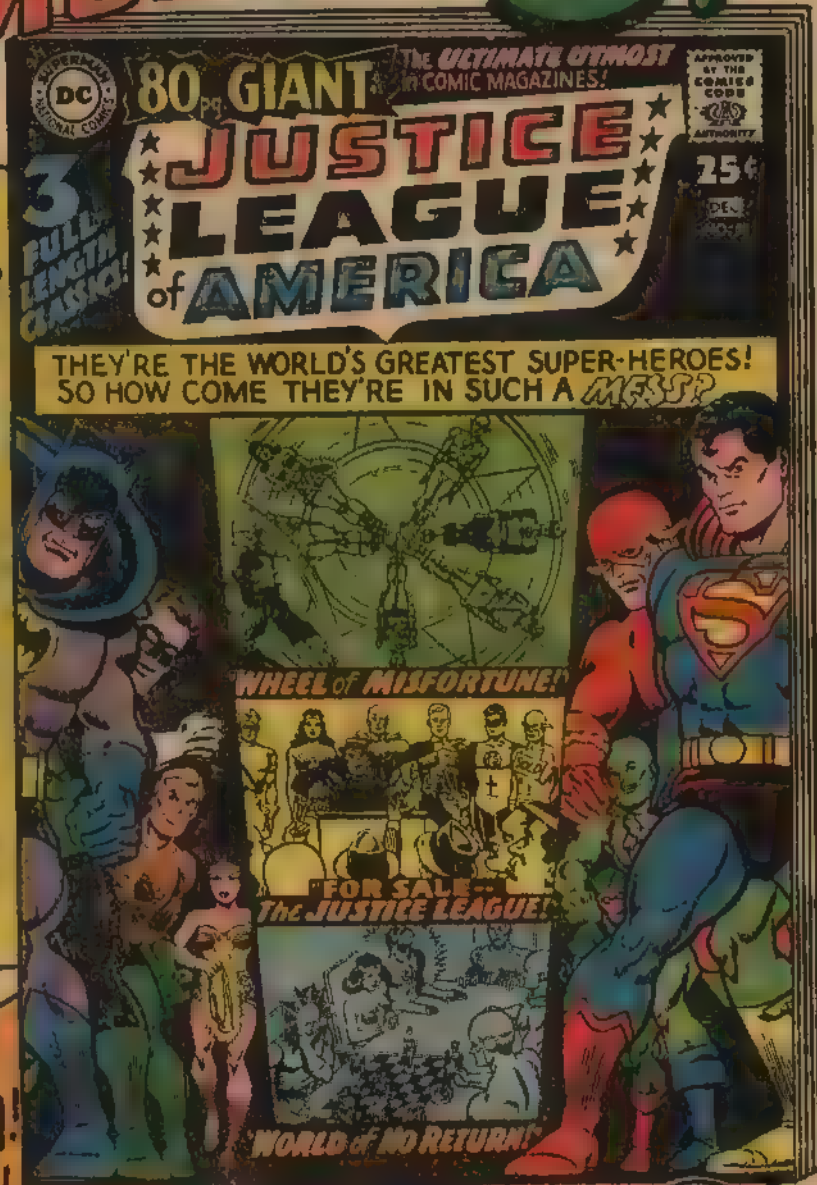
LOOK! HE HAS SOME KIND OF WEAPON! HE'S PREPARED FOR US!

HE'S FIRING! ATTACK!

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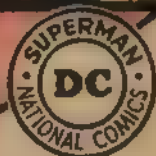
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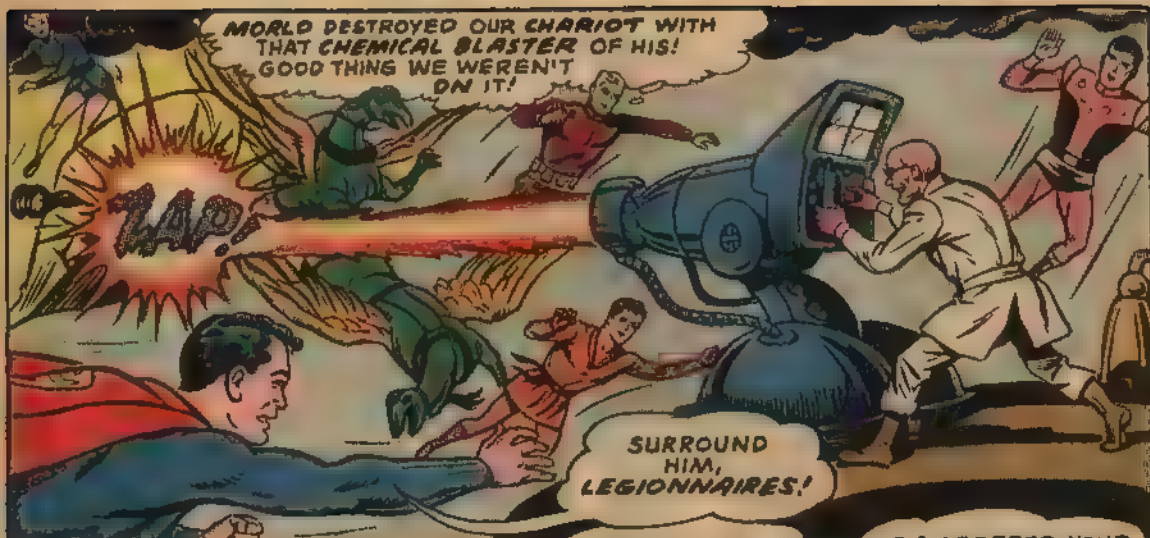


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WONDER WOMAN!

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FLASH!
MARTIAN MANHUNTER!
GREEN ARROW!



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MORLO DESTROYED OUR CHARIOT WITH THAT CHEMICAL BLASTER OF HIS! GOOD THING WE WEREN'T ON IT!

ZAP!

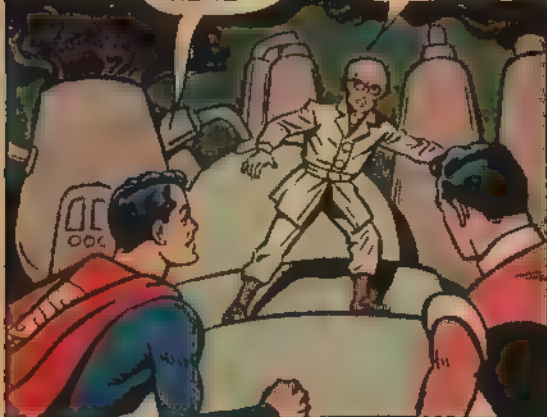
SURROUND HIM, LEGIONNAIRES!

YOU'RE CAUGHT, MORLO! NOW SUPPOSE YOU TELL US WHAT YOU INTENDED TO ACCOMPLISH WITH THAT SMOG-MAKER THERE!

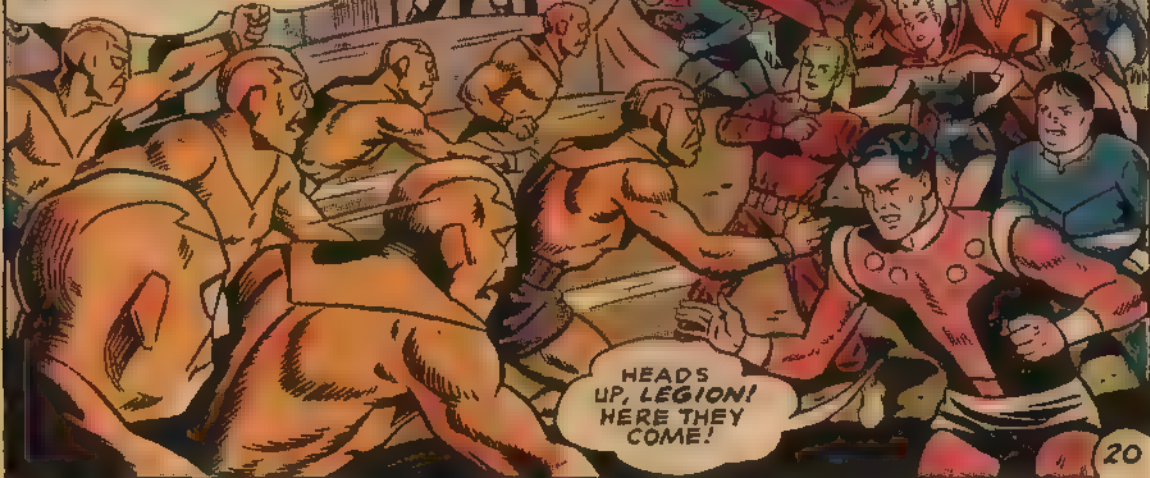
CAUGHT? ME? YOU FOOLS! THE BATTLE HASN'T EVEN BEGUN YET...

... FOR JUST NOW MY NEW CHEMOIDS ARE ARRIVING ON THE SCENE! YOU WALKED INTO A TRAP, MY FRIENDS!

WE CLOBBERED YOUR FOUR-ARMED FREAK AT THE SPACE-LAB! WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THESE BABIES CAN FAZE US?



GORN WAS DESIGNED TO BE A LAB ASSISTANT! BUT THESE CHEMOIDS WERE PLANNED FOR BATTLE... SPECIALLY, I MIGHT ADD, FOR BATTLING YOU!

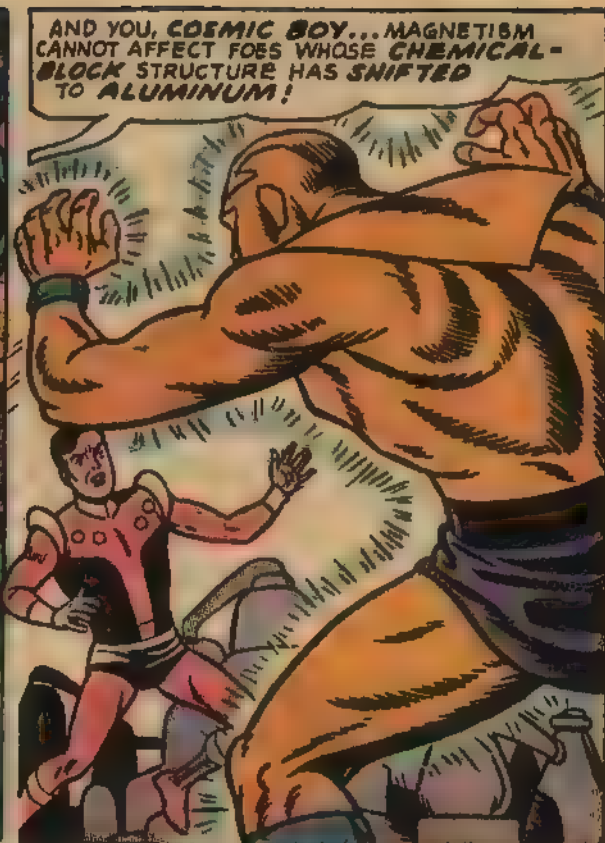


HEADS UP, LEGION! HERE THEY COME!

AH! THE LOVELY
 PRINCESS PROJECTRA
 MEETS HER SLAYER-
 TO-BE! YOUR MONSTER
 ILLUSIONS CANNOT
 DISTRACT
 HIM! YOUR
 CHEMOID IS BLIND...
 GUIDED BY
 RADAR!



AND YOU, COSMIC BOY... MAGNETISM
 CANNOT AFFECT FOES WHOSE **CHEMICAL-
 BLOCK** STRUCTURE HAS SHIFTED
 TO **ALUMINUM!**

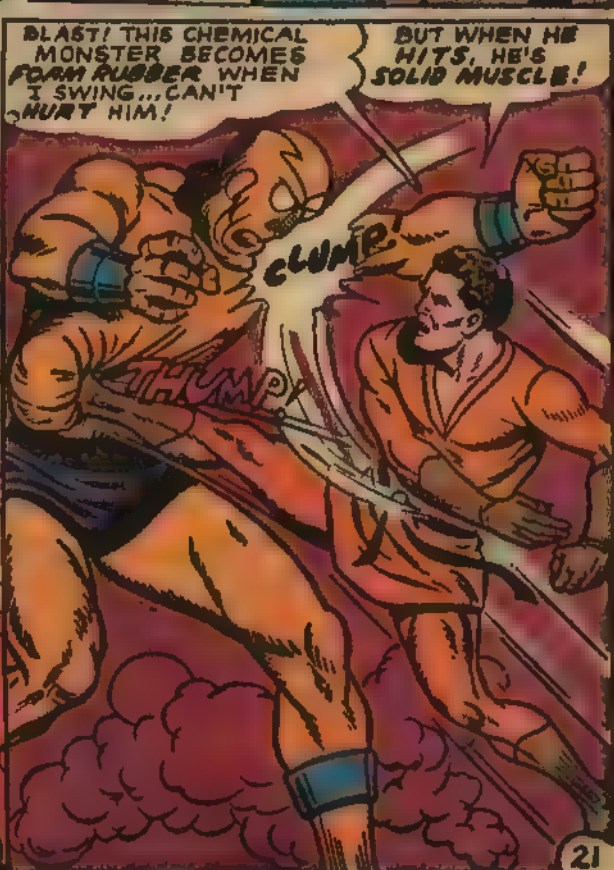


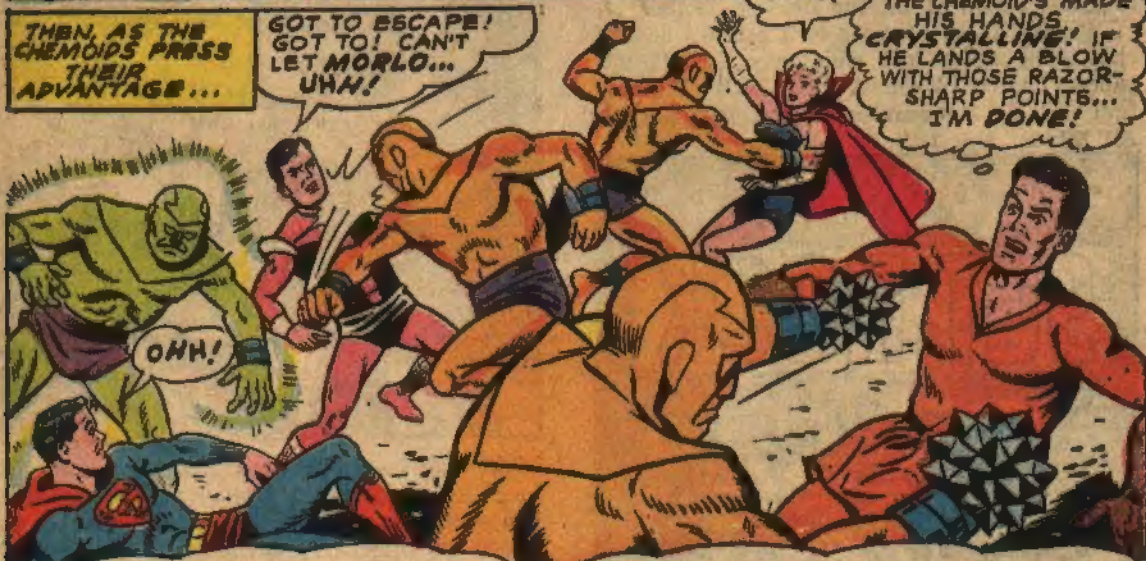
NO USE... WHEN I
 TRY TO MAKE
 THIS ONE **SUPER-
 LIGHT**, HE CHANGES
 INTO A **HEAVIER
 ELEMENT!**



BLAST! THIS **CHEMICAL
 MONSTER** BECOMES
FOAM RUBBER WHEN
 I SWING... CAN'T
 HURT HIM!

BUT WHEN HE
 HITS, HE'S
SOLID MUSCLE!





IS THIS THE END OF THE SUPER-HEROES? MAYBE! IS IT THE END OF THE STORY? NO! THE CONCLUSION OF THIS EPIC BATTLE WILL BE FOUND IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ADVENTURE!

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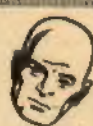
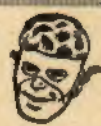
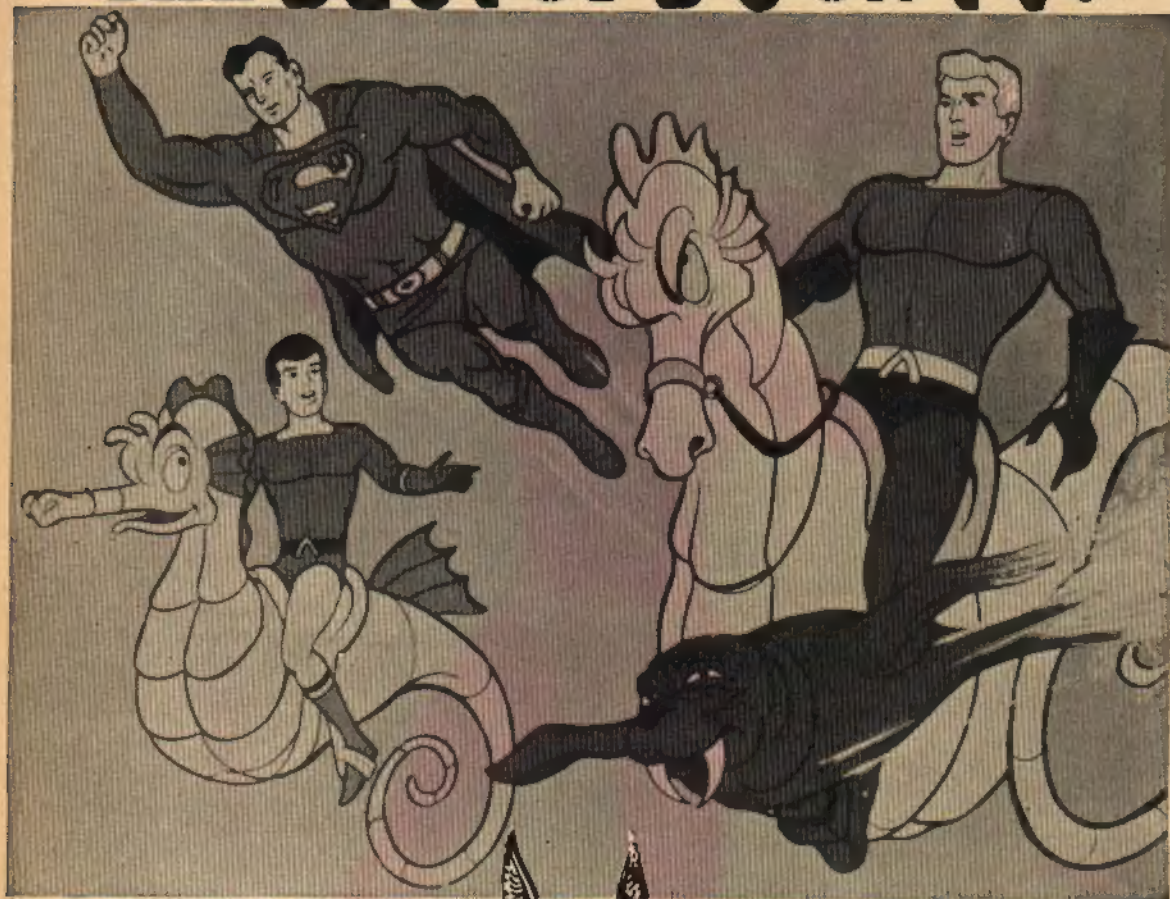


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